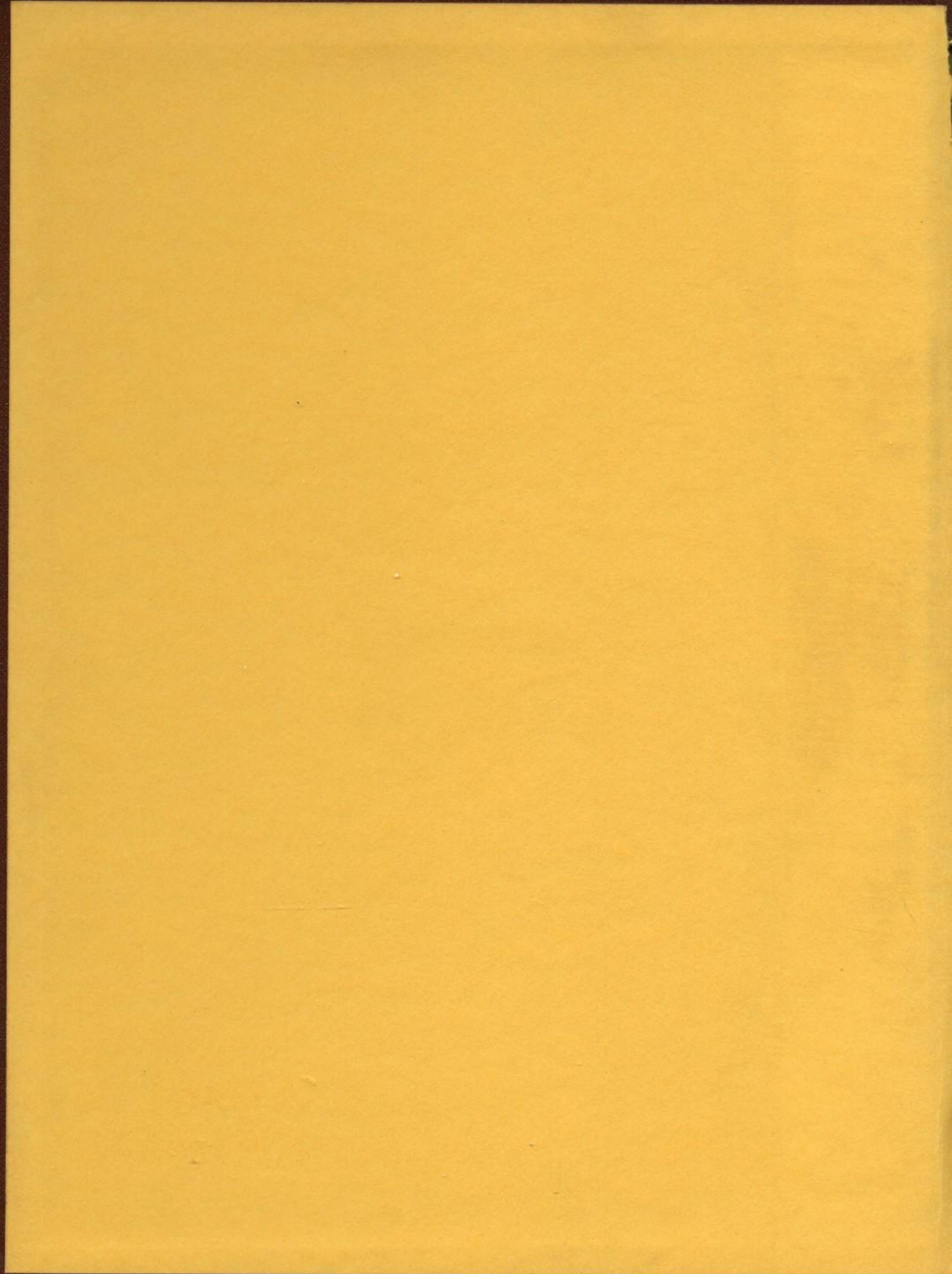


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Campus Views

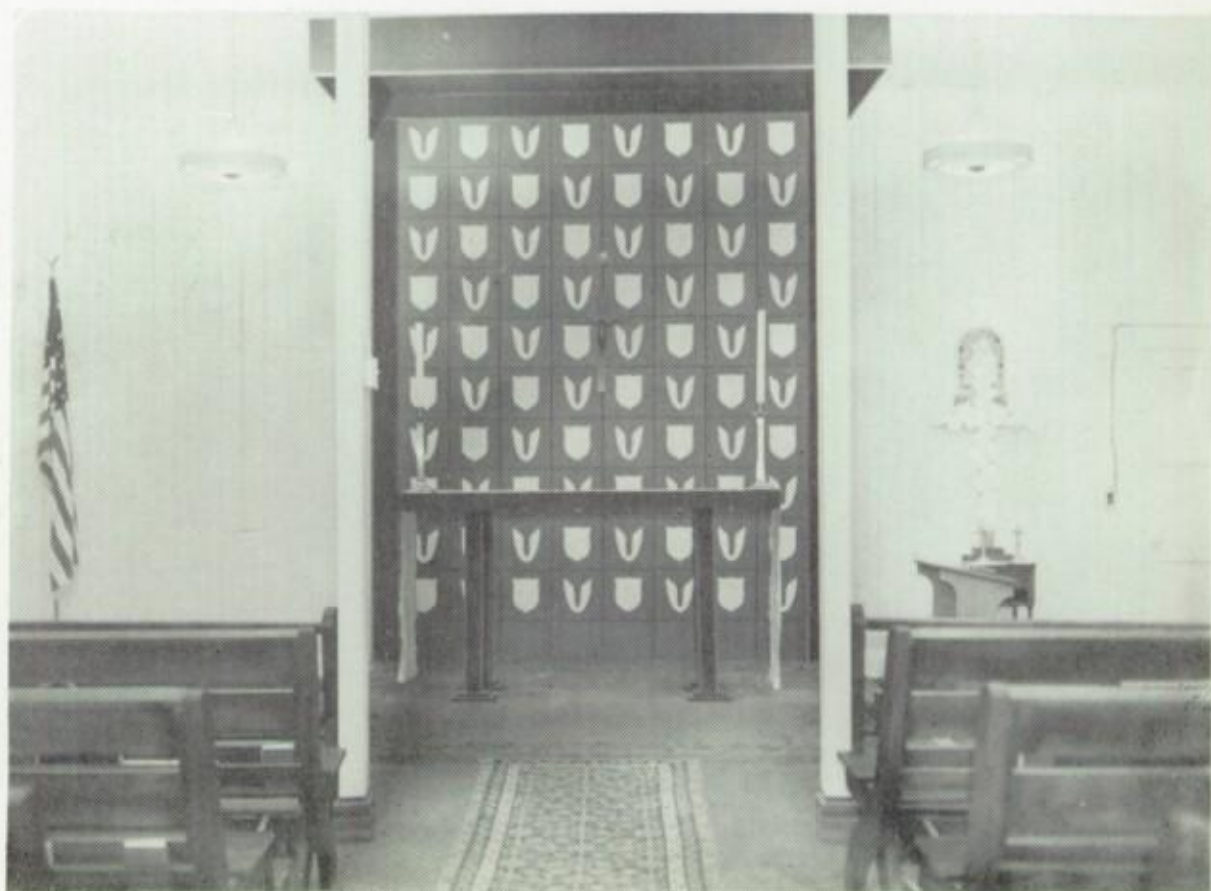
The above building houses the chemistry and physics labs and the lower school classrooms. Together with the main Administration Building it was built nearly one hundred years ago with materials brought by ship around Cape Horn.

The parlor, pictured at the above right, is the scene for many school dances and entertainments. It also serves as quarters for resident faculty. Not an original school building, the parlor personifies our rapid growth.

The spiritual life of the San Miguel student centers around the school chapel, pictured at lower right. Short services are held each morning, except on Friday, when there is a celebration of the Holy Eucharist.



at San Miguel





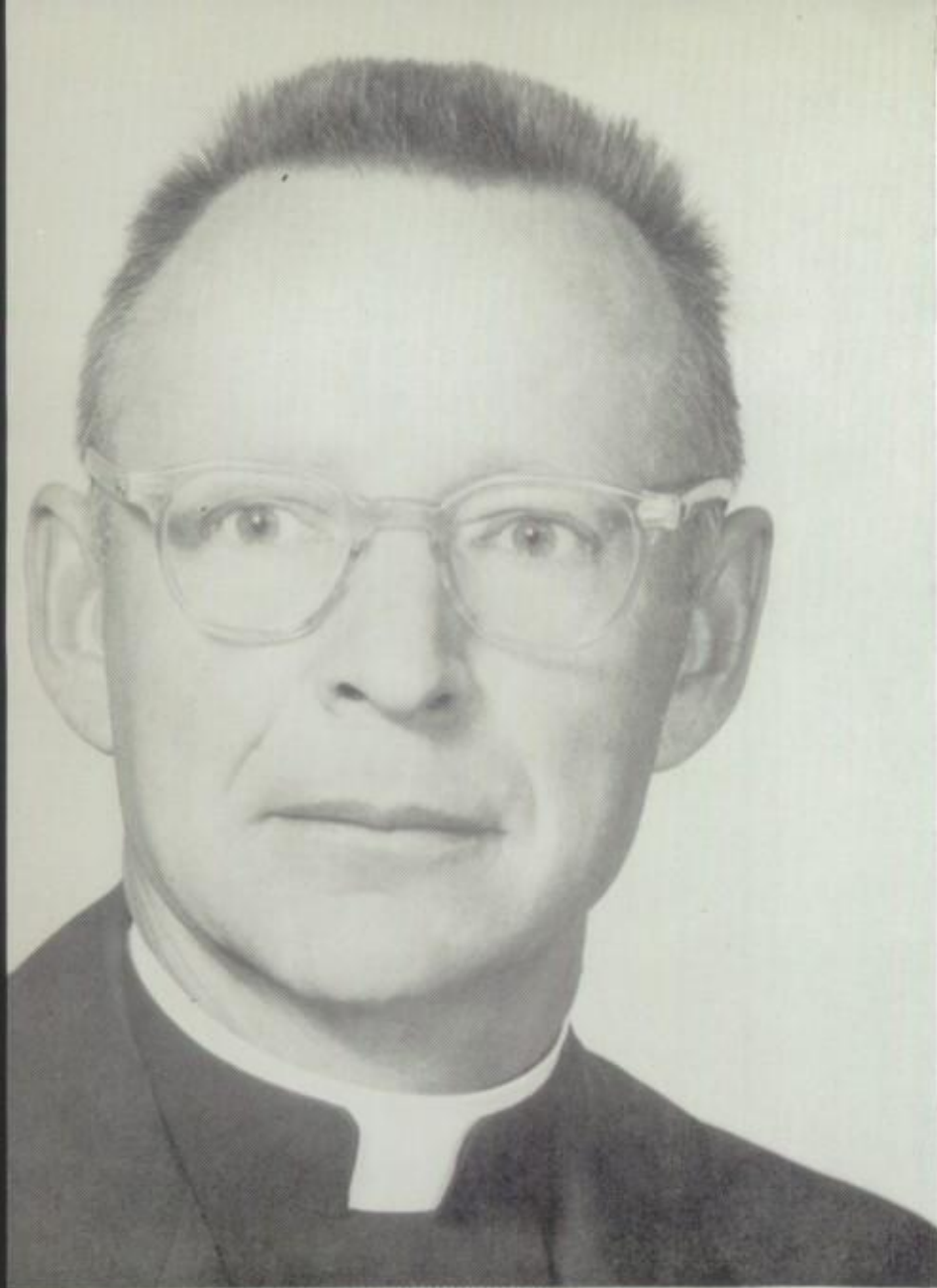
Dedication

There are few ways a student can show his gratitude to the man who guided him through his high school studies. In the dedication of this yearbook, we wish to show our thanks to Paul R. White. Since the first days of our freshman year it has been to him, as class advisor, that we have turned with our problems. May the lessons he has taught remain with us and guide us in the future.

IN MEMORIAM

His tools were those of learning and fair play, and with them he helped mold this school, San Miguel. As our first Dean he guided us through the conflicts and joys in the making of tradition. His memory shall be perpetuated in the hearts of his students, and in the ideals of the school which he helped found.





Greetings

The Faculty and I pray God's Blessing on the Class of 1958. I suddenly realize that some of this Class have been with San Miguel from its very beginning in September, 1952. To have this one and only "First Generation" pass through all grades is a real source of satisfaction. You thought, back in 1952, that graduation was so far in the future it would never come. You will find that college years will pass even more rapidly, Class of '58. Best wishes, '58, and God speed!

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Headmaster

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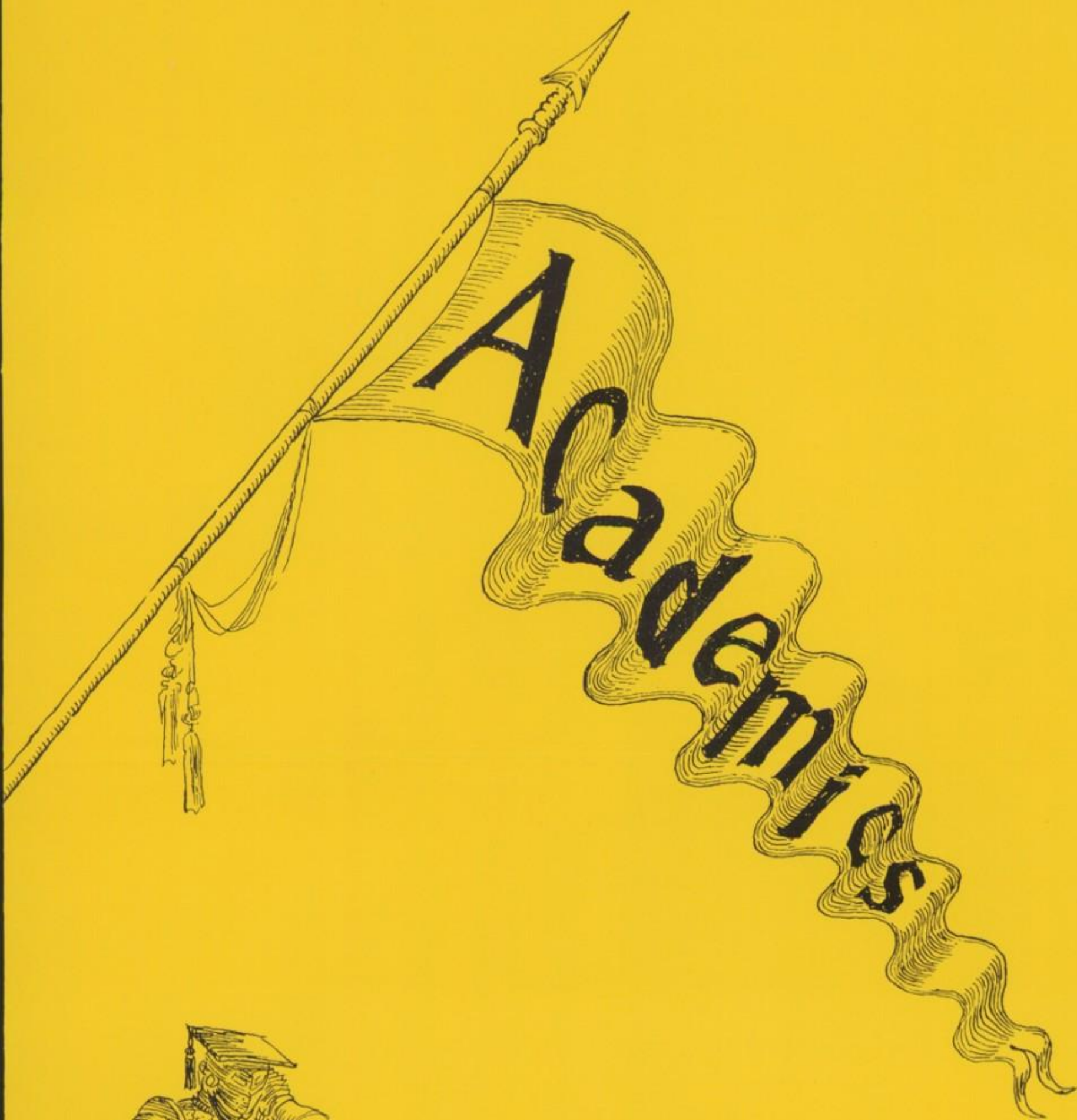


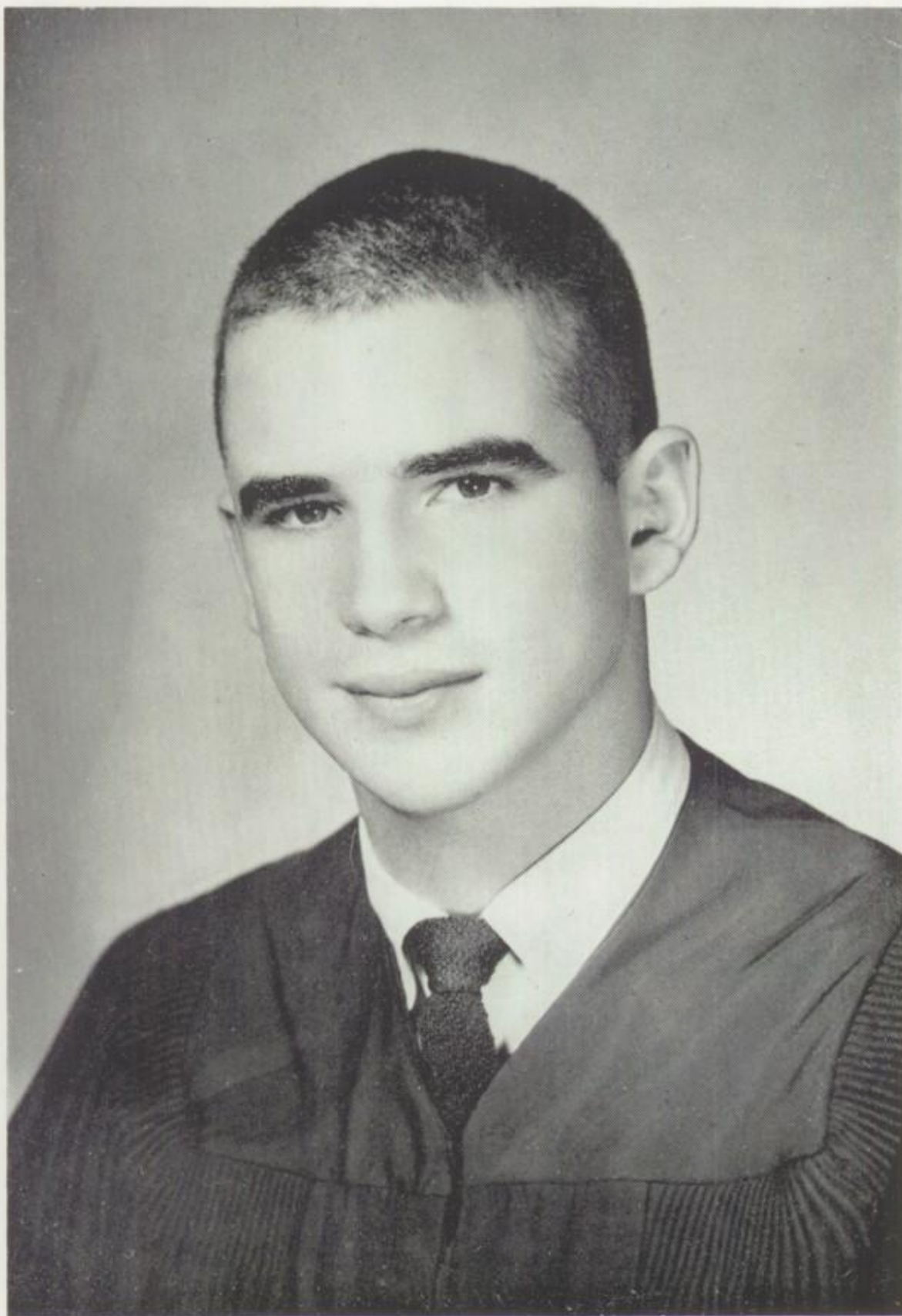
FREDERICK M. HILL
B.A., University of Pittsburgh
7th and 8th grades



June 12th will soon be here, and with it will come graduation, a time of joy and a time of sorrow. To the seniors it will mark the end of the long path which they have pursued for the past few years. It shall be the lot of the Juniors to take the reins of power and to become the leaders of the school. There will be another annual to publish, a newspaper to print, and the innumerable other problems which come with advancement and responsibility. To the undergraduates it will merely be the end of another year, but marked by the successes and failures shared with classmates. It will be the passing of the old and the arrival of the new.

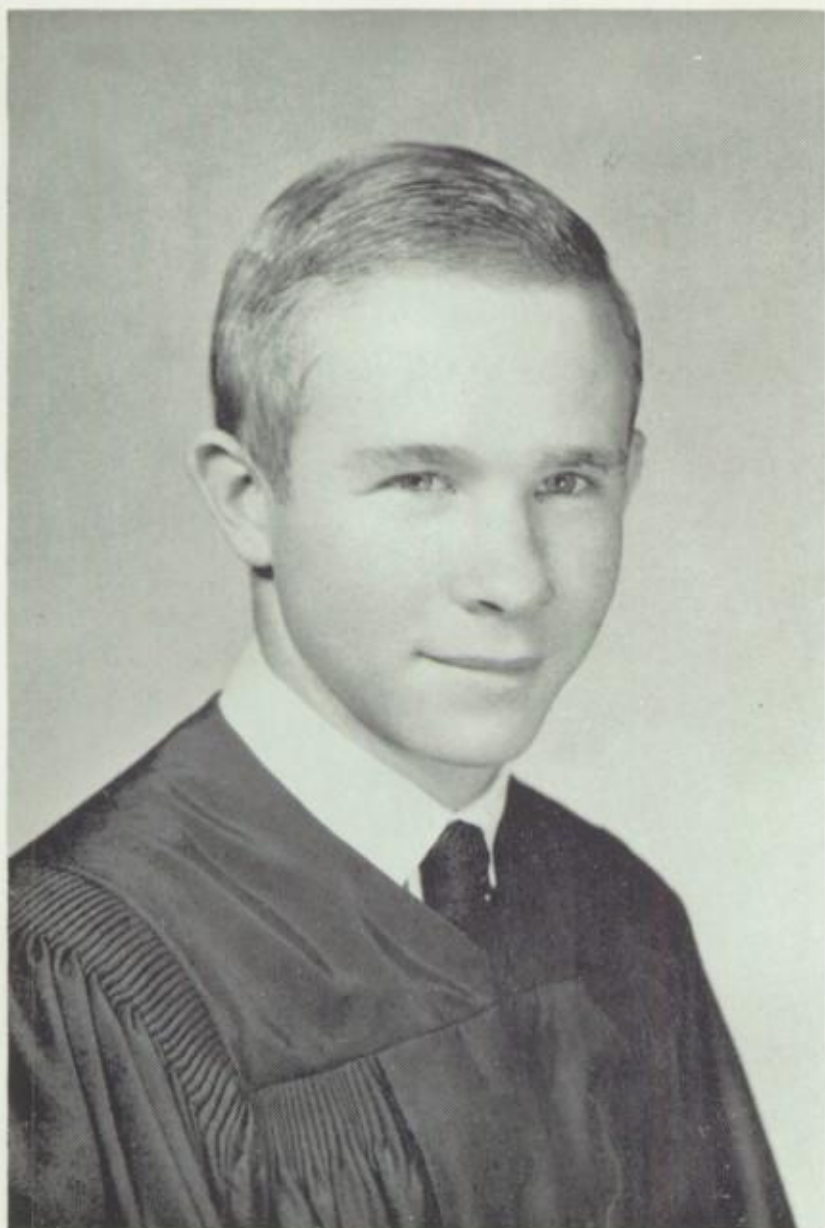






Robert Jay Durham, Jr.

"O brave new world, that has such people in't . . ." —The Tempest
Old dependable . . . the Senior Prefect . . . the heart of the swimming team . . . the doer of all the aggravating little jobs . . . the old philosopher . . . and the judge on the bench . . . "But, Sir!" . . . "Frankly, Thompson" . . . "Now you've ruined it!" . . . and we present one who sums up the best at San Miguel.



*"... to find the minds construction
in the face ..."*

—Macbeth

The curious mind . . . our quiz kid . . . the little guy who earns a place in athletics . . . the pragmatist . . . and a Prefect . . . busy, busy, busy . . . "What's so difficult about building a rocket?" . . . "Why the worry? It's only a College Board!" . . . "Frankly, Durham" . . . "Any short girls?" . . . and you sum up this bouncy personality who has often rocked the boat and caused teachers to grey early in life.

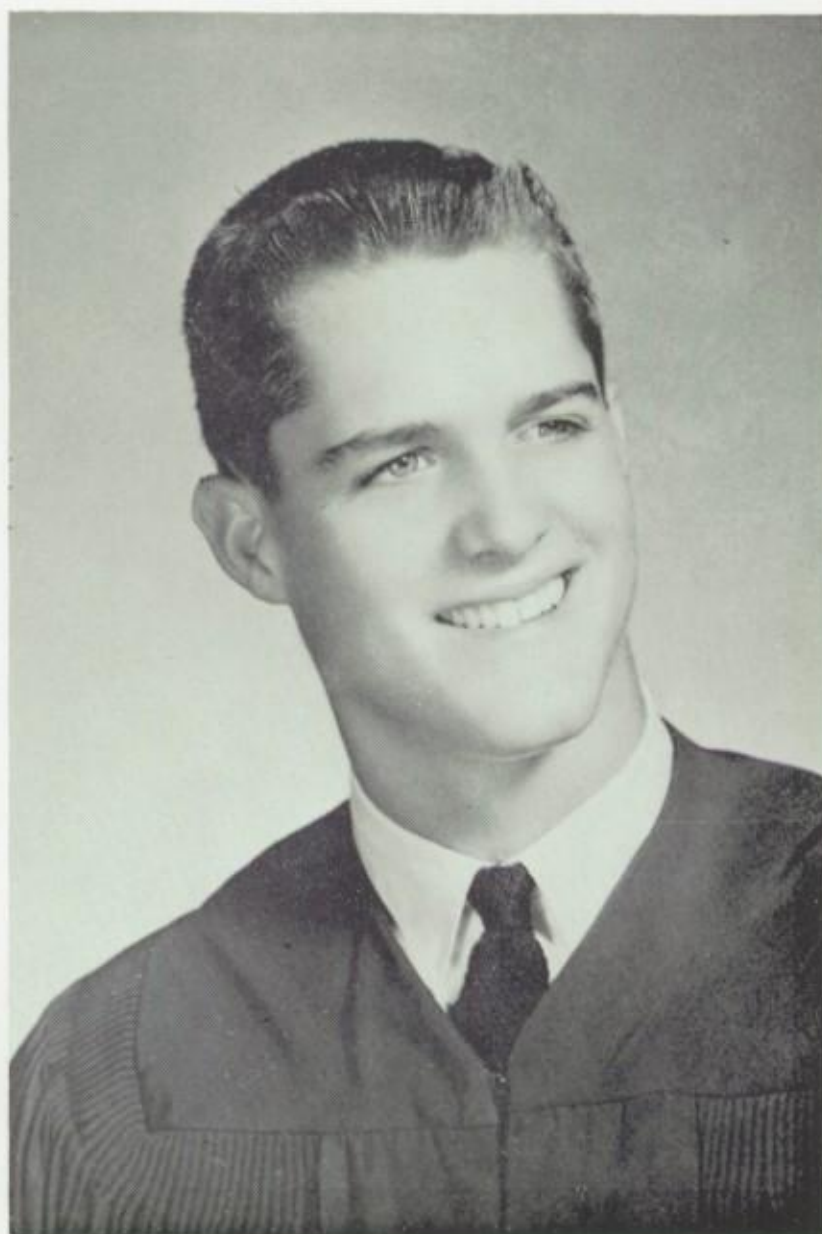
Douglas Carl Thompson

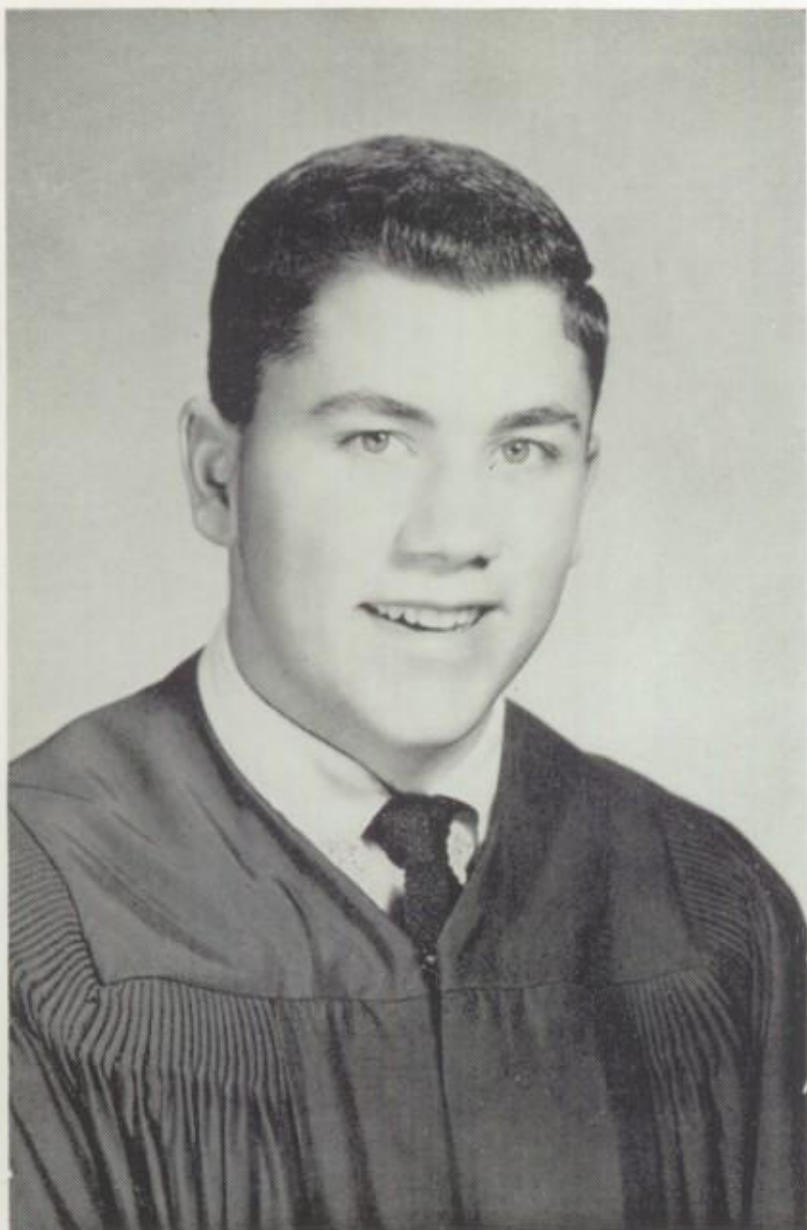
Ferdinand English Fletcher

*"The game's afoot! Follow your
spirit, ..."*

—Henry V

Most versatile athlete . . . a Prefect . . . the class comedian to provide the laughs . . . old smoothie . . . hedonism . . . "Why do you pick on me" . . . baffled rage . . . "I hate school!" . . . and we offer a picture of our very sociable Ferdie.





"We few, we happy few, we band of brothers."
—Henry V

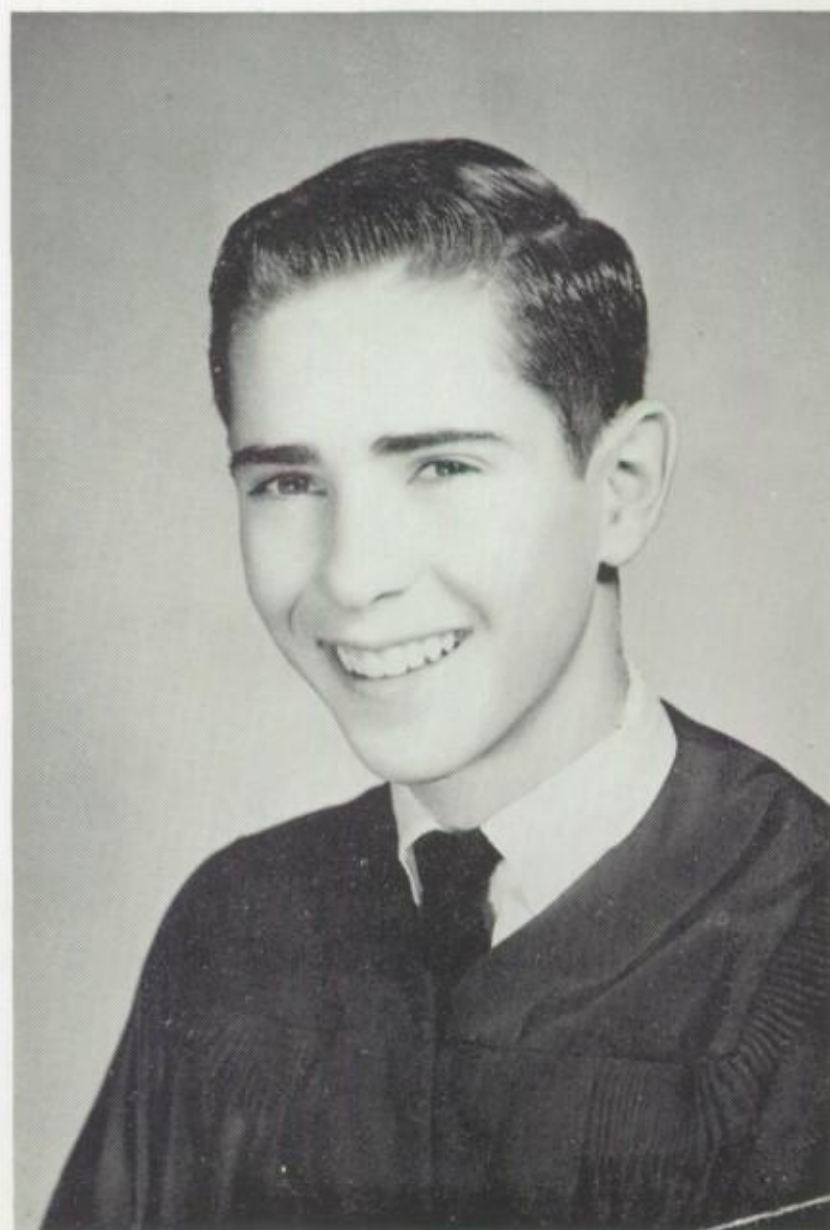
The team man . . . the power-packed drives into the line . . . Maroon captain . . . with an early understanding of honor and integrity . . . Old Bar! . . . "Harvard? We'll play 'em with ten!" . . . the mystery of life . . . so much to do, and the flesh is so weak . . . the deep-throated roar of agony over math . . . the planner . . . presents Bob, whose concern for people is demonstrated by his friendship for all.

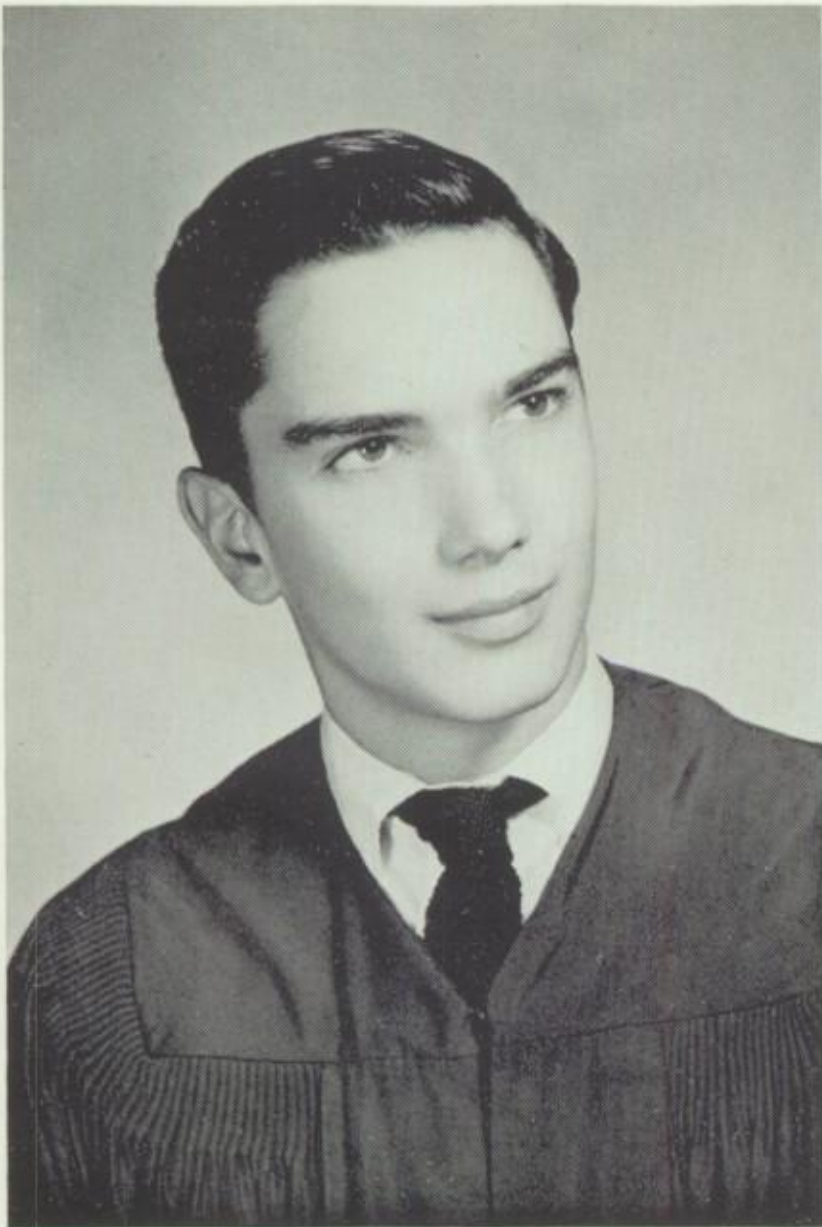
Robert Boyd Lynds

Stephen Maitland Coutts

"He was a scholar, and a ripe and good one; . . ."
—Henry V

The Editor of the Annual . . . how tired we are . . . a little can go a long way in all sports . . . Gold captain . . . the pain of learning to lead . . . "Has anyone got a quarter?" . . . and another bus missed . . . the deeper thinker . . . the puckish sense of humor . . . "I should have been a pitcher!" . . . "Five minutes! What do I say for the other three?" . . . "Doctors do too work as hard as anyone!" . . . and we introduce another whom we shall fondly remember.



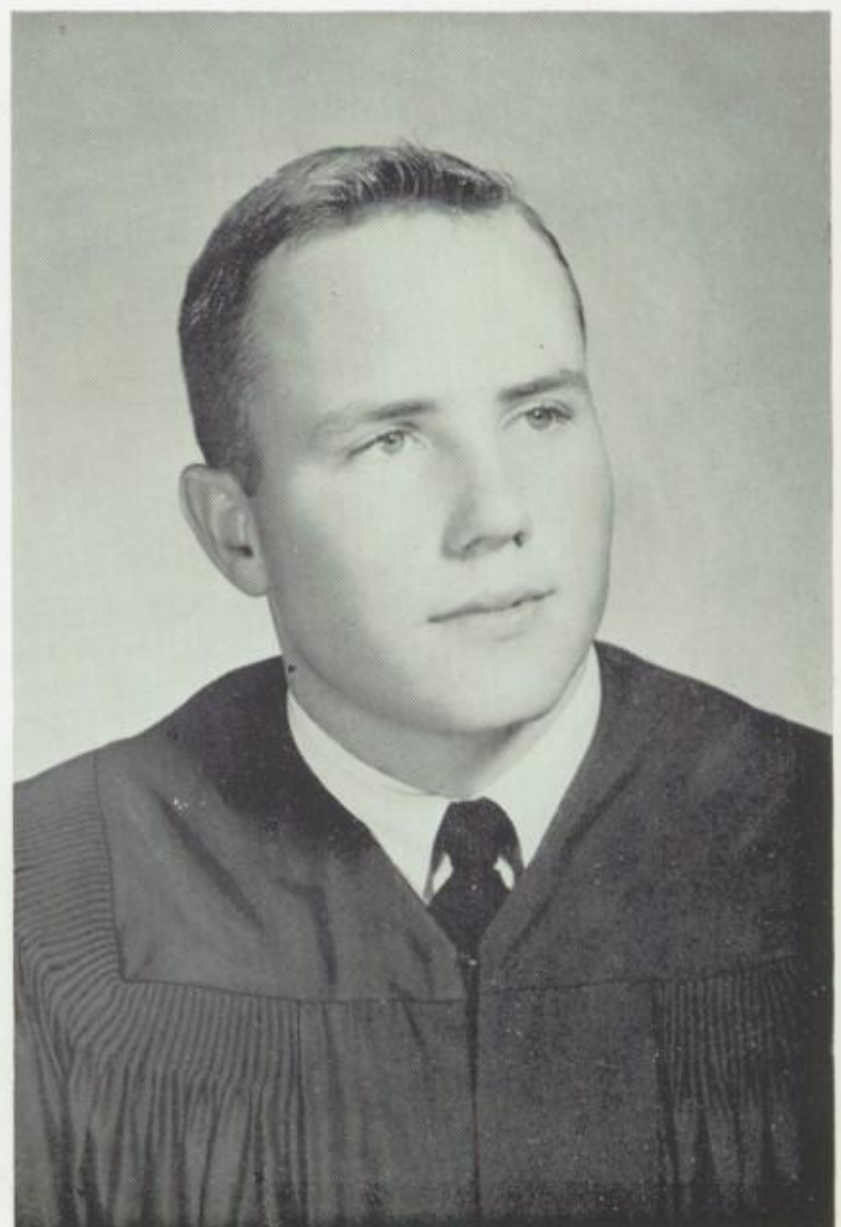


"... free from gross passion or mirth or anger, ..." —Henry V

Everybody's kid brother . . . always too young, but still willing to put on a helmet and give it everything . . . so shy and diffident one year and then the discovery of girls . . . "Grr-r-r-r!" . . . "I thought it was No. 2 to the left." . . . the Acolyte . . . and in the Choir . . . give some insight into Herbie, one who was born a gentleman.

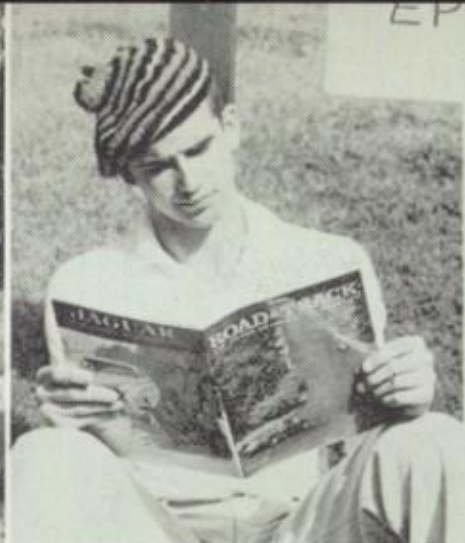
Herbert J. Exarhos

C. Alan Hudson III



"... then imitate the action of the tiger; ..." —Henry V

To sweat on the line . . . or butterfly in the tank . . . or terrorize on the mat . . . the caustic wit . . . the spectator occasionally chuckling over the folly of man . . . "If you say so, but back at Millbrook" . . . "So that's the way the cookie crumbles!" . . . "Notes! It's in the book! . . . and we have an index into our latecomer who has become very much a part of our class.



Senior Class Will

I, Ferd Fletcher, will my talents in the female and sports field to my good friend and able successor, Eric Fygi.

I, Herbert Exarhos, will my ability to aggravate Mr. White to Frank Merhar and George Ronis, and wish them all the success possible in the coming years.

I, Robin Durham, hereby bequeath the watery lanes of the Southern Prep League to Tom Stephen-Hassard. To him I leave the responsibility of raising the victory banner of the future.

I, Chuck Hudson, will my supreme sarcasm to John Mayo, who can add it with ease to his repertoire, and my unused Slenderella Gift Certificate from last year to Bill Dahlberg, who needs it.

I, Stephen Coutts, do hereby will the worries and hardships of this annual to next year's Senior Class; may they have fun with it.

I, Douglas Thompson, will my place on the honor roll to John Huntington; may he use this position to the greatest advantage.

I, Bob Lynds, will my claim to Maserati superiority and my ability to be scrounged in football to Mike Zerbe, next year's candidate for All-American.



Junior Class

When Father Ross awards diplomas to the Seniors, the yoke of leadership will fall squarely upon the shoulders of the class of '59. Together with the wearing of the class ring and the use of the senior room, will come the responsibility of leading the student body. From the ranks of the class will come three Prefects to head the student government, and the staff of the Sword and Shield. Through the past year the Juniors, under the guidance of their advisor, Mr. Merrilees, and the leadership of President Tom Stephen-Hassard and Secretary Chuck Warner, have shown the ability to assume the reins of power. In graduation, we, the class of '58, wish them the best of luck as they face the conflicts and joys of a new year.

Peter Ames
John Benson
Newell Bossart
Nick Cuddihy
Bill Dahlberg
Eric Fygi
John Huntington
Robert Kostelecky

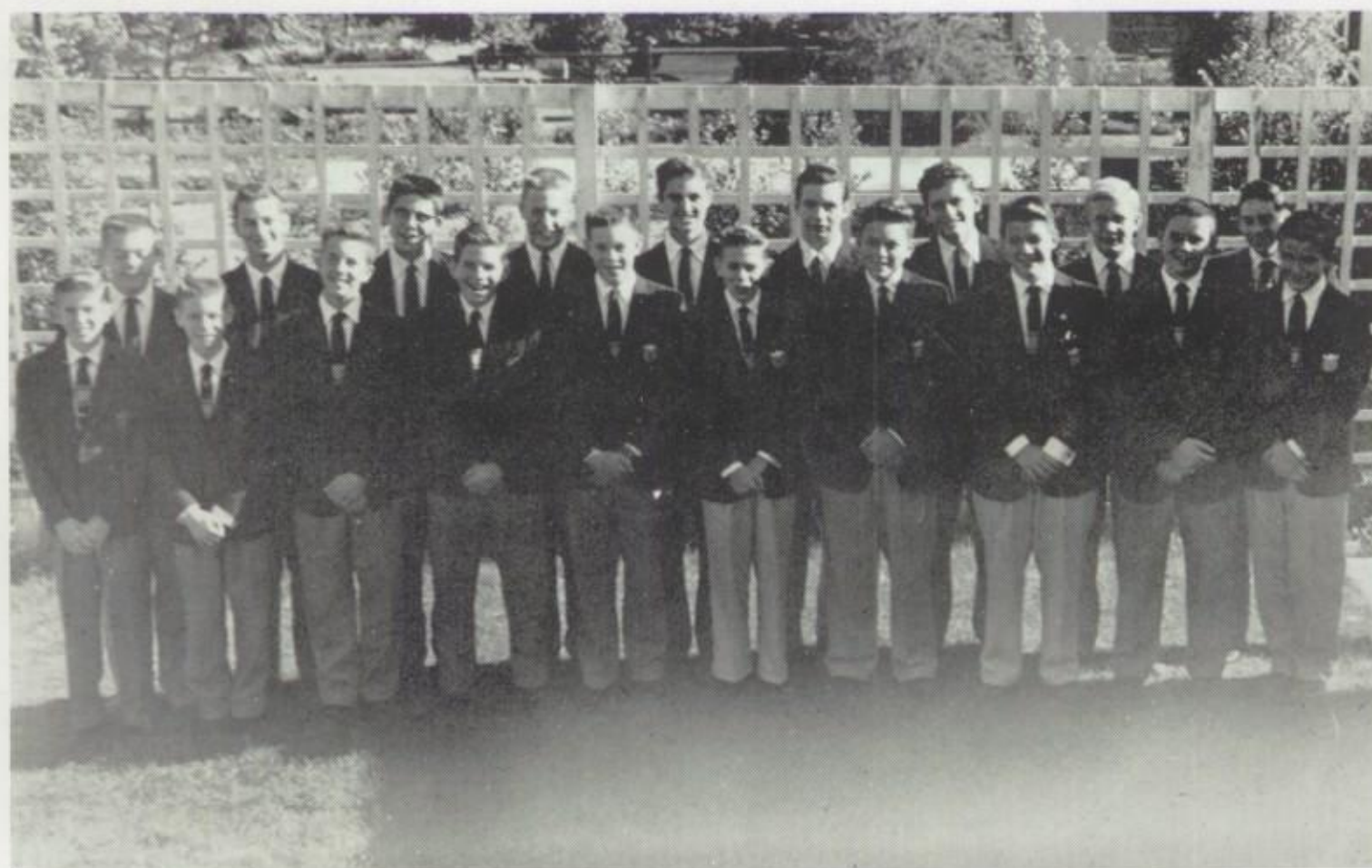
John Mayo
Arthur Mortimer
Barry Paull
Tom Stephen-Hassard
David Thomson
Charles Tyson
Charles Warner
Michael Zerbe





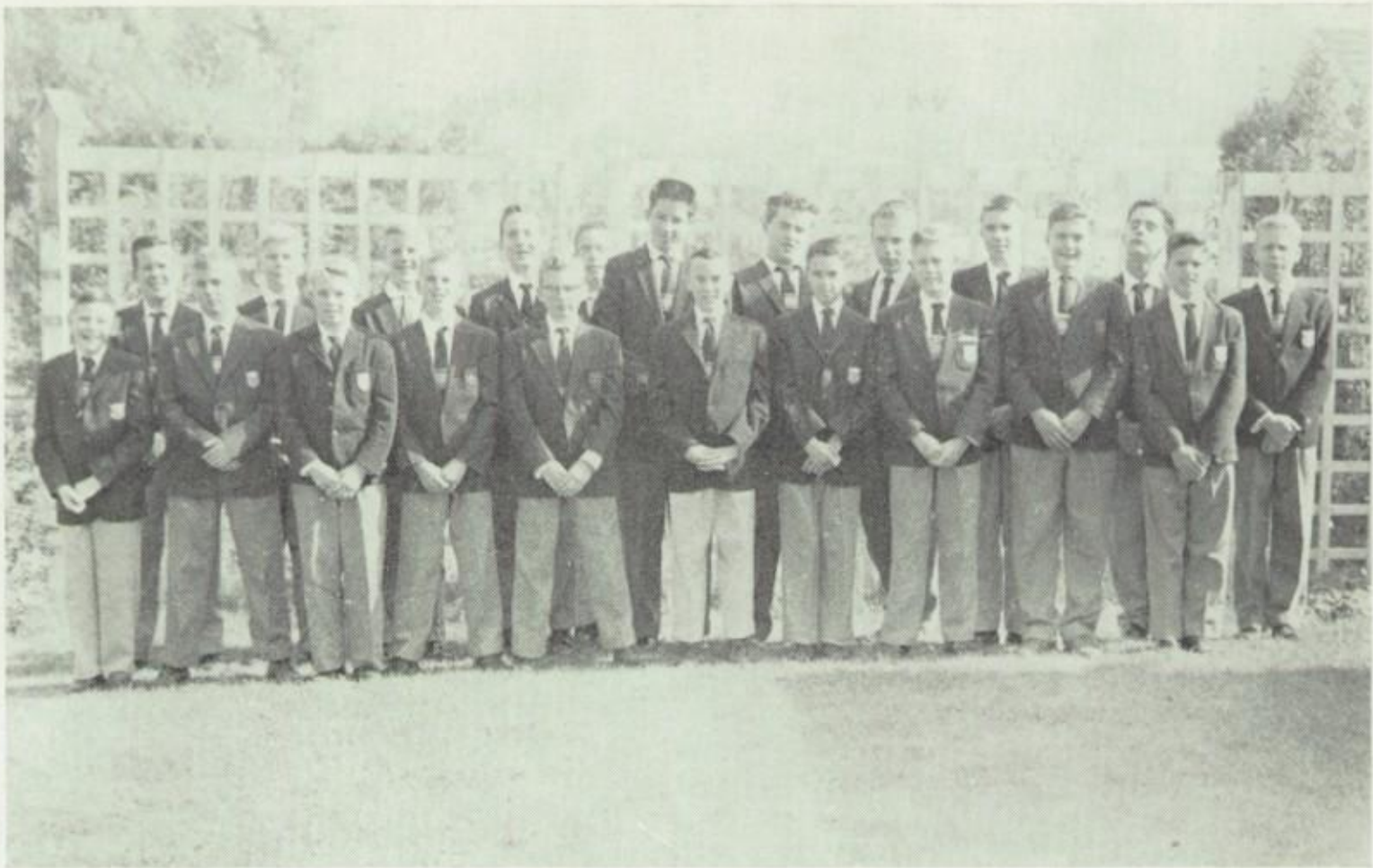
Sophomores

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Front Row—R. Soriano, F. Merhar, N. Wilke.*



Freshmen

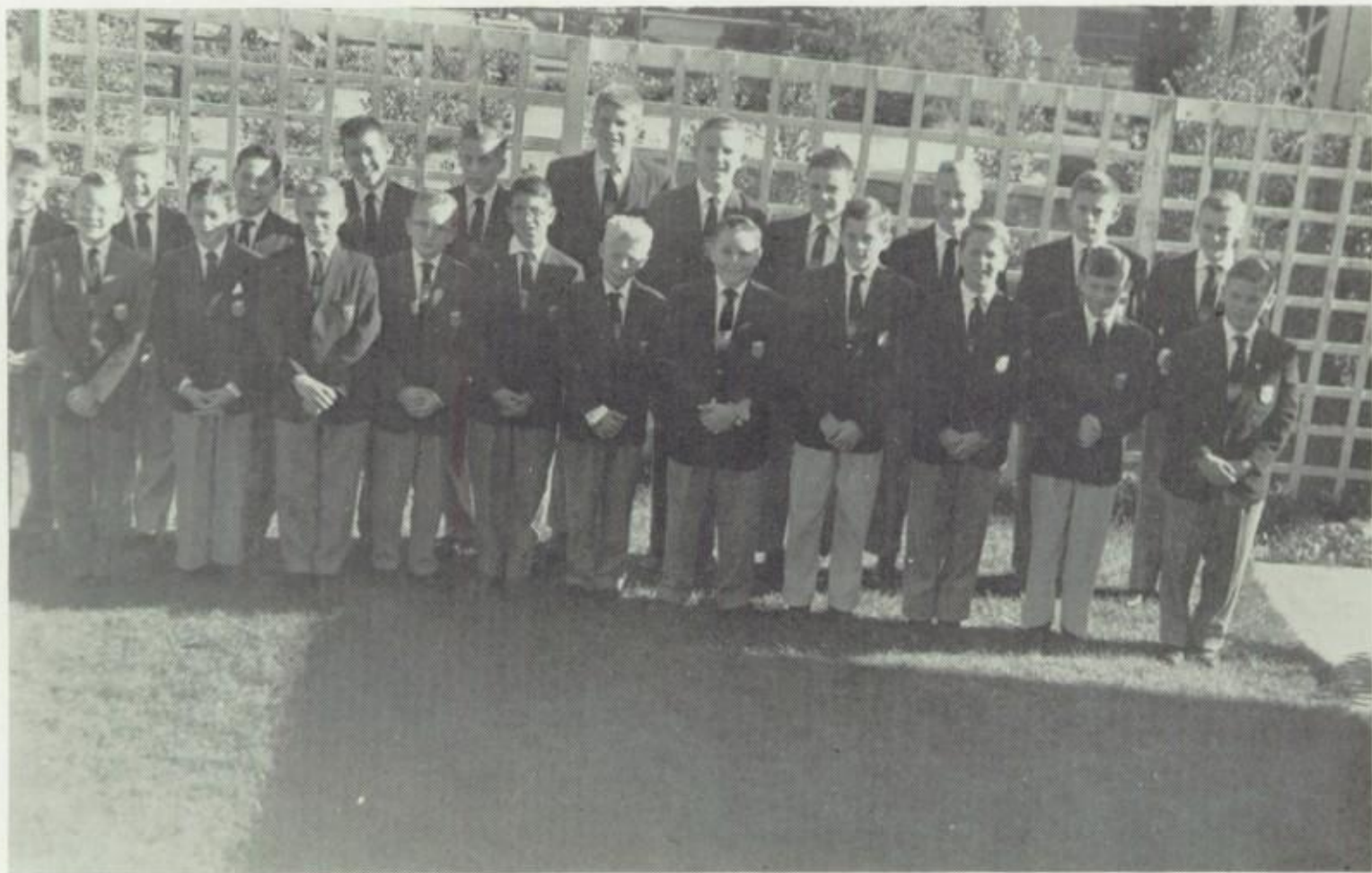
*Back Row—J. Mackenzie, B. Burgener, W. Drown, V. Baker, P. Scheu, J. Peyton, G. Bujkovsky, H. Hunte, L. Justice.
Front Row—S. Beenfeldt, R. Kemp, R. Uhden, R. Harsh, D. Harrison, L. Occhiello, E. Lax, G. Morgan, J. Hendricks, M. Krumel.*



Eighth Grade

Back Row—R. Hacker, L. Pederson, P. Wick, E. Woodhull, C. Bartel, C. Higgs, B. McIlwraith, R. Mikel, T. Newland, R. Bonney, R. Hatch.

Front Row—R. Ripley, A. Wood, K. Nicodemus, M. Gillean, N. Kay, N. Randol, J. Harrington, W. Smith, B. Forcey, B. Hallen.

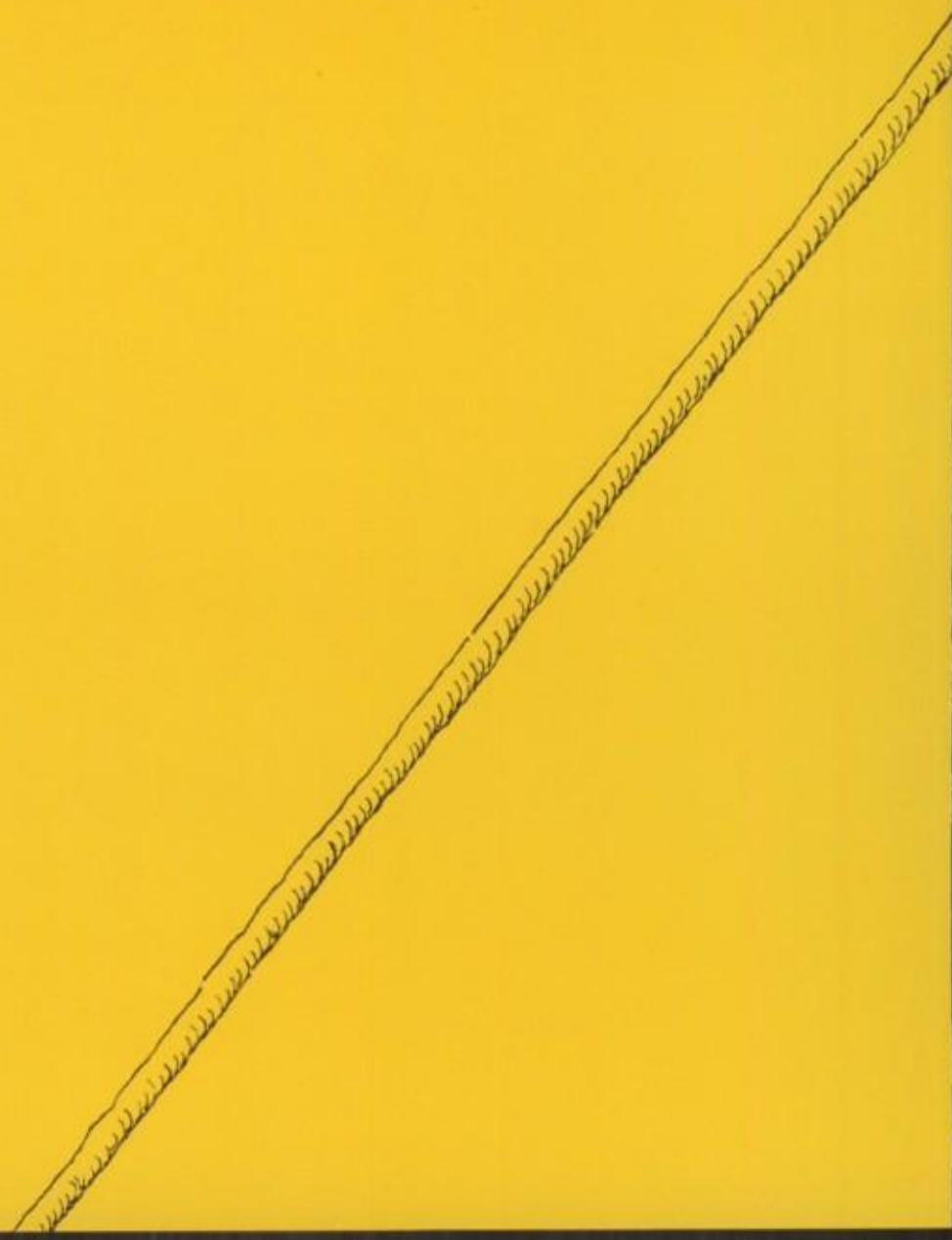


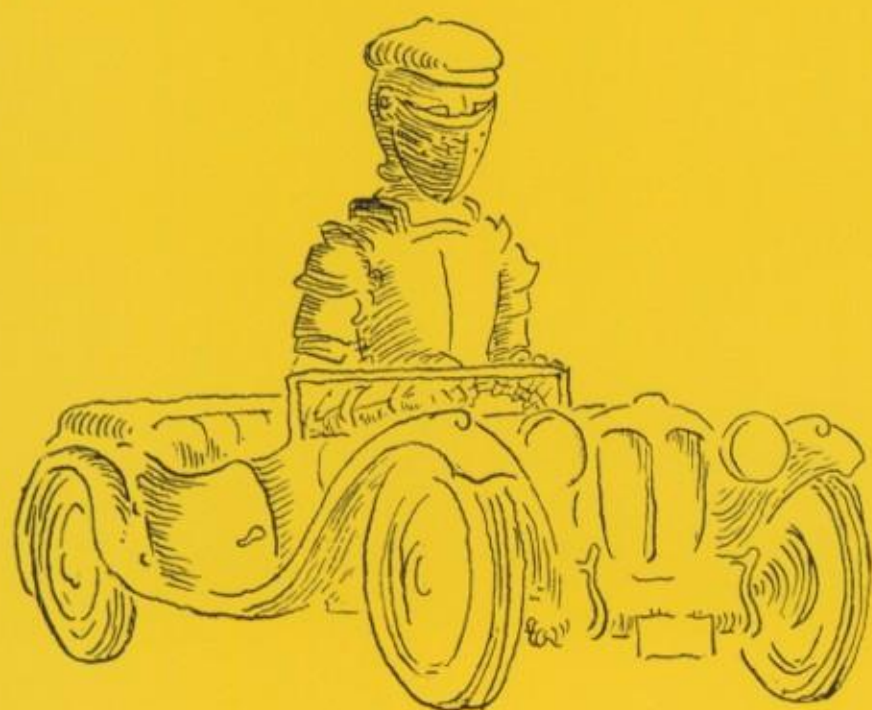
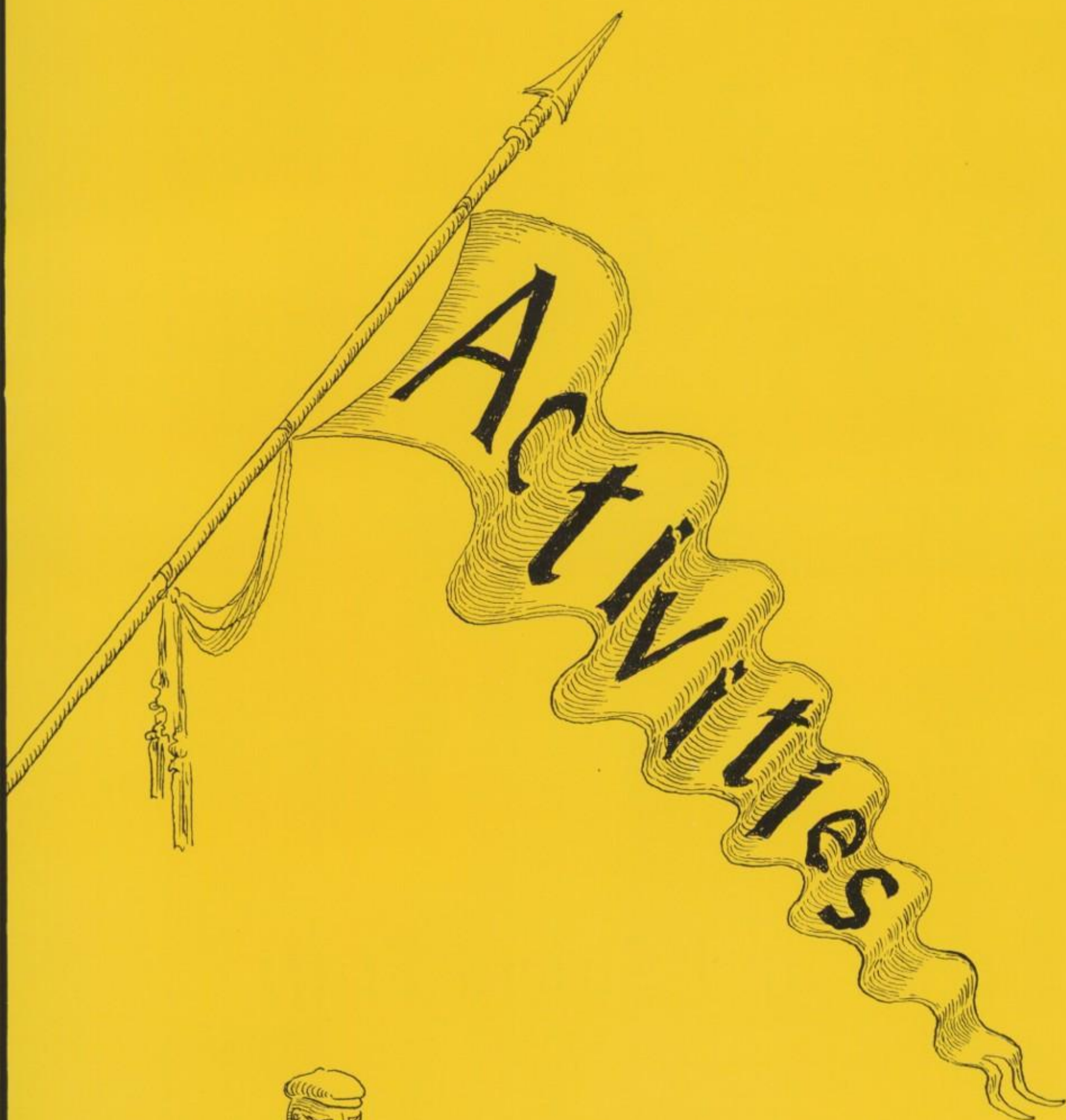
Seventh Grade

Back Row—R. Murphey, J. Skinner, R. Hurd, D. Freeman, D. Mundschenk, K. Gordon, M. Blakesley, J. Millsop, R. Weerts, C. Dunn, R. Young.

Front Row—A. Chrisman, C. Daughaday, S. Neal, J. Richardson, N. Latimer, J. Oatman, J. Franken, C. duPont, R. Conway, W. Harrington, J. Lucas.

The interests of the San Miguel student are not confined to the classroom, but radiate outward into the field of extracurricular activities. The wide scope which these activities encompass is in keeping with the San Miguel idea of a well rounded character; one which is not only proficient academically, but also in working with his fellow man. It is the faculty's hope that the student, by the time he graduates, will have a field of varied interests, any one of which he can fluently draw upon. From glee club to student council; from photography to model railroads; these are the small parts of everyday school life that will prove invaluable in later years.







Stephen Coutts	Editor-in-Chief
Robin Durham.....	Make-up Editor
Douglas Thompson.....	Assistant Make-up Editor
Herbert Exarhos	Activities
Ferdinand Fletcher	Sports
Charles Hudson.....	Business Manager
Robert Lynds.....	Assistant Business Manager

Sword and Shield Staff

About the middle of February, the Seniors seem to come to life. The floor of the Senior Room becomes littered with paper shavings, pictures are feverishly taken, and every few days there are hurried conferences, missed classes, and homework that goes undone. Deadlines are set and passed and then reset and reset again. Some come to school dressed in natty suits and then before history class, sally forth to get the advertisements that will put the Annual in the black. The proverbial midnight oil is burned at a ferocious rate as copy is written. Then as time flies by, the make-up is started, redone, and finished at the last minute. Only when the last page leaves for the printers, can the Seniors breathe a sigh of relief.



Back Row—H. Hunte, T. Stephen-Hassard, B. Burgener, C. Warner, C. Higgs, F. Merhar, P. Wick.

Middle Row—C. Daughaday, G. Miller, R. Conway.

Front Row—D. Thompson, R. Durham, F. Fletcher.

Student Council

The Administration and Regulation of a student body is no easy task to fulfill. With the "Knights' Code" as their guide, the Student Council has taken a large step, during the past year, towards the evolution and attainment of a sound student government. This step has been the institution of a Student Court and the drafting of a school constitution. The Prefects of this year's Senior Class hope that this step will prove to be a starting point in the foundation of San Miguel Student Government history and student body tradition.

Glee Club

Back Row — R. Lynds, R. Durham, C. Hudson, J. Huntington, W. Dahlberg, V. Baker, B. Burgener, S. Angus, F. Fletcher, H. Exarhos, S. Coutts.

Front Row—D. Vaughn, M. Zerbe, D. Harrison, E. Lax, R. Kemp, J. Mackenzie, D. Thompson.



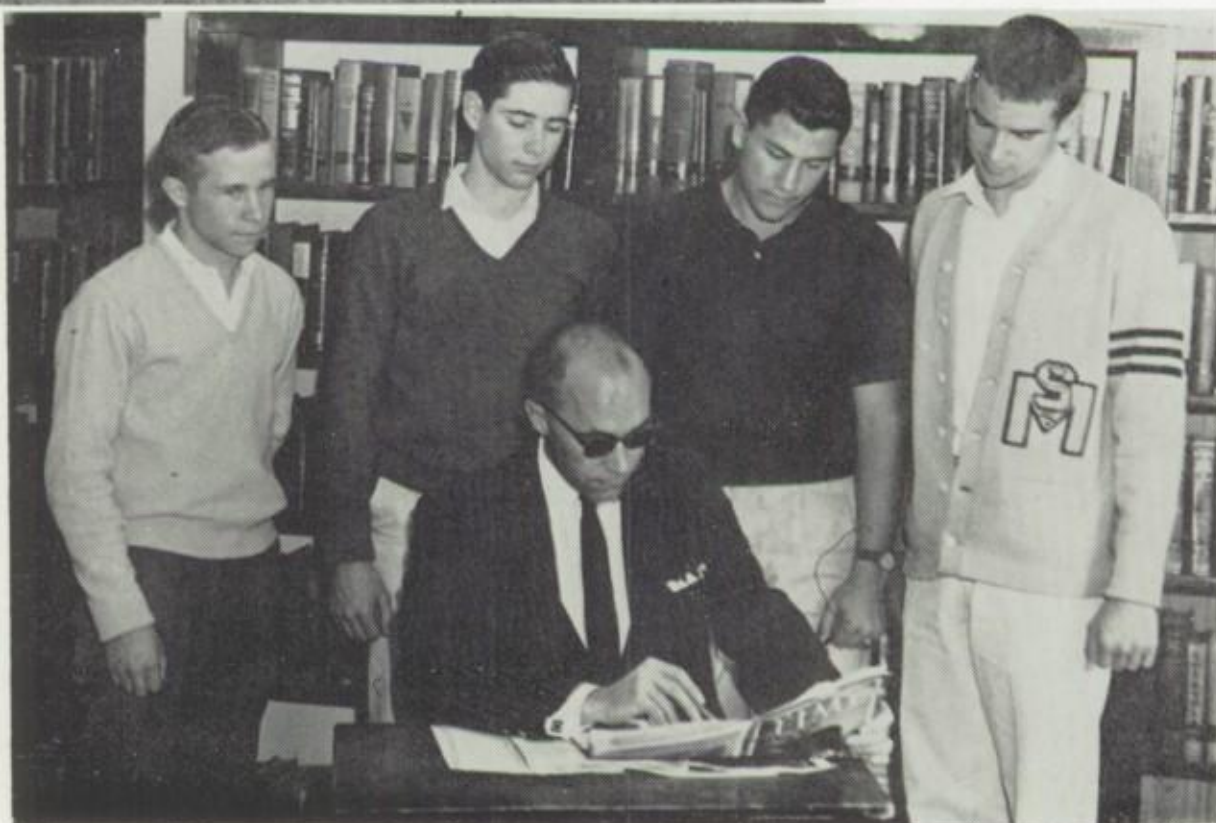
Letterman's Club

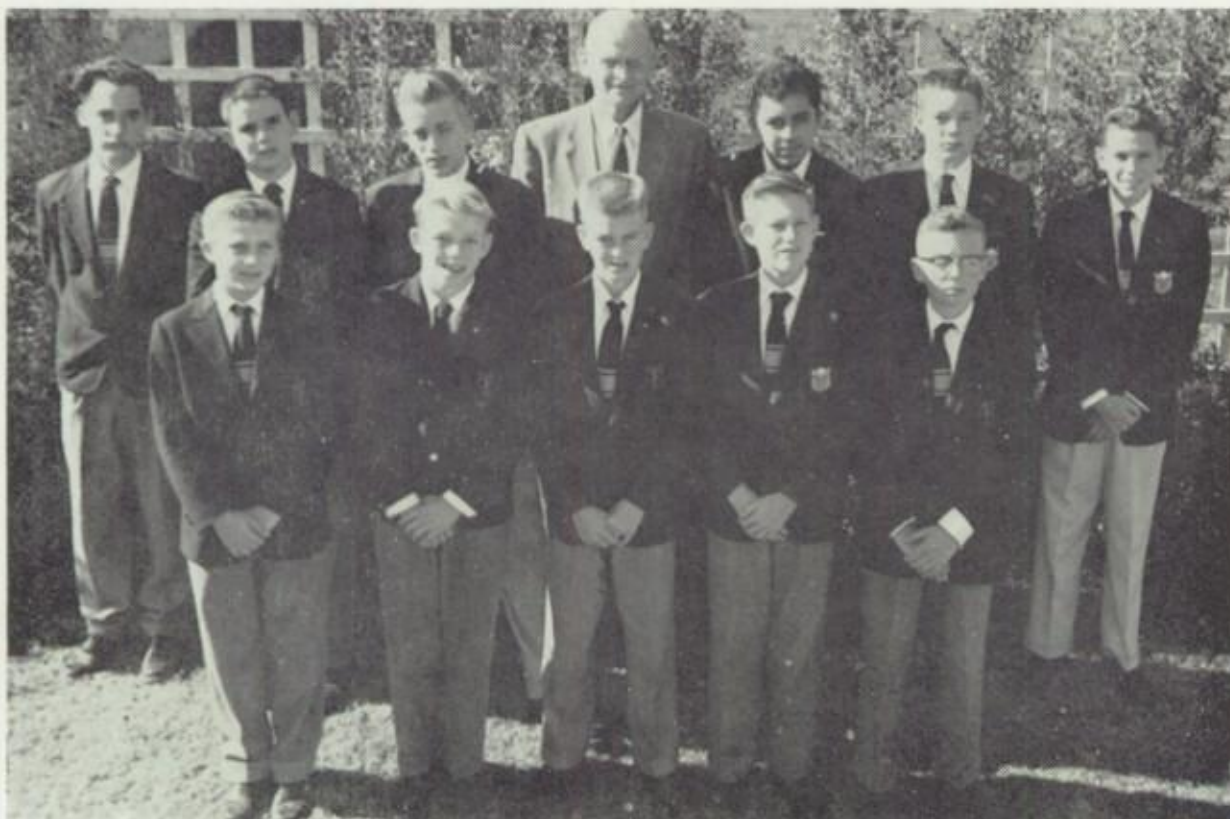
Back Row—Pete Ames, Dave Thompson, Nick Cuddihy, Bill Dahlberg, Ferd Fletcher, Gene Miller, Herb Exarhos, Deryck Vaughn, John Huntington.

Front Row — Steve Angus, Charles Tyson, Bob Lynds, Robin Durham, Chuck Hudson, Tom Stephen-Hassard, Steve Coutts, Frank Merhar.

Forensics Squad

Left to right: Doug Thompson, Stephen Coutts, Bob Lynds, Robin Durham with their coach, Mr. White.





Radio Club

Back Row—R. Bonney, J. Hendricks, D. Mundschenk, Mr. Sutherland, J. Soriano, D. Harrison, L. Occhiello.
Front Row—S. Neal, K. Nicodemus, M. Gillean, W. Smith, N. Kay.

Railroad Club

Left to Right—L. Occhiello, R. Kemp, Mr. Merrilees, A. Chrisman, C. Bartel, N. Kay.

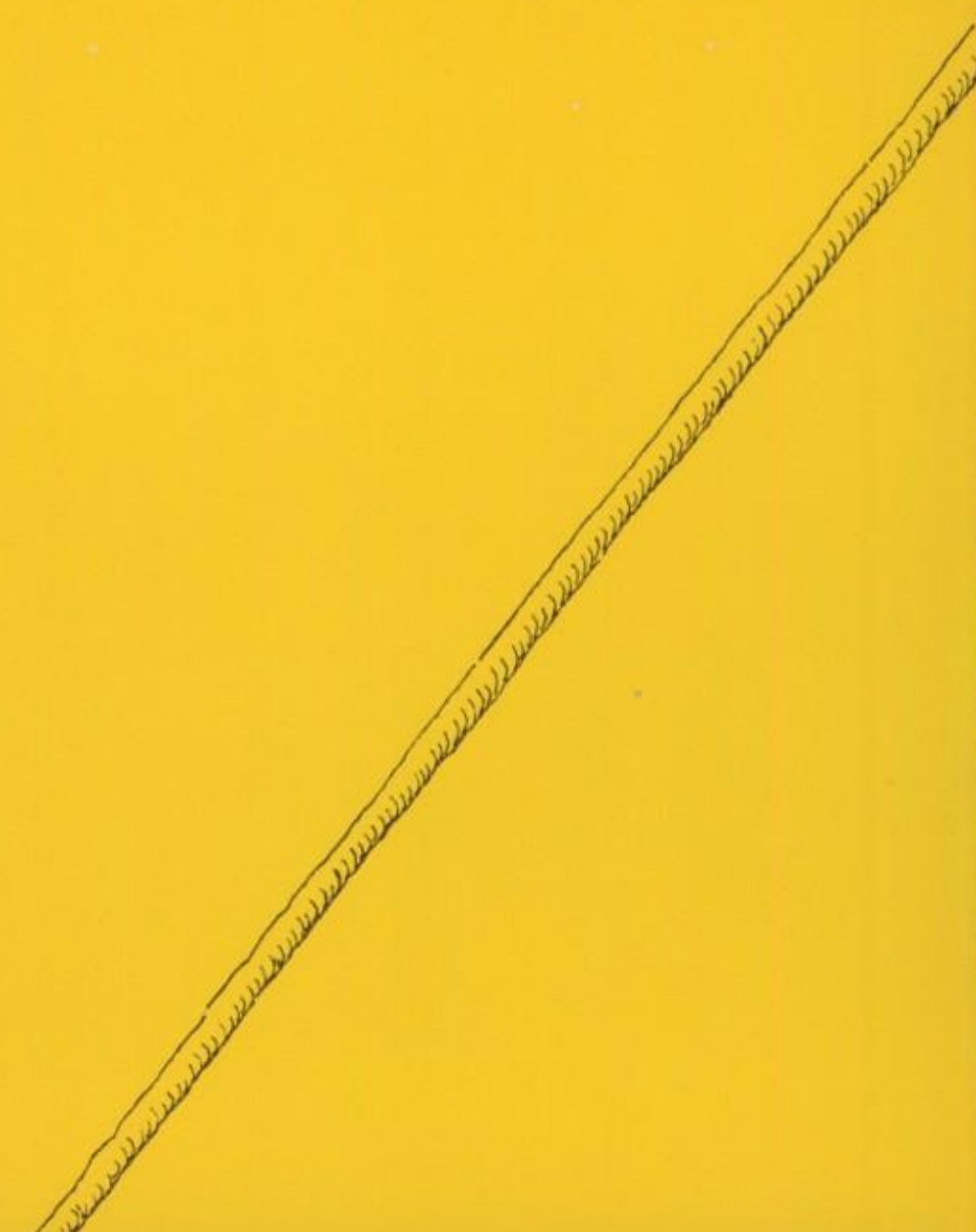


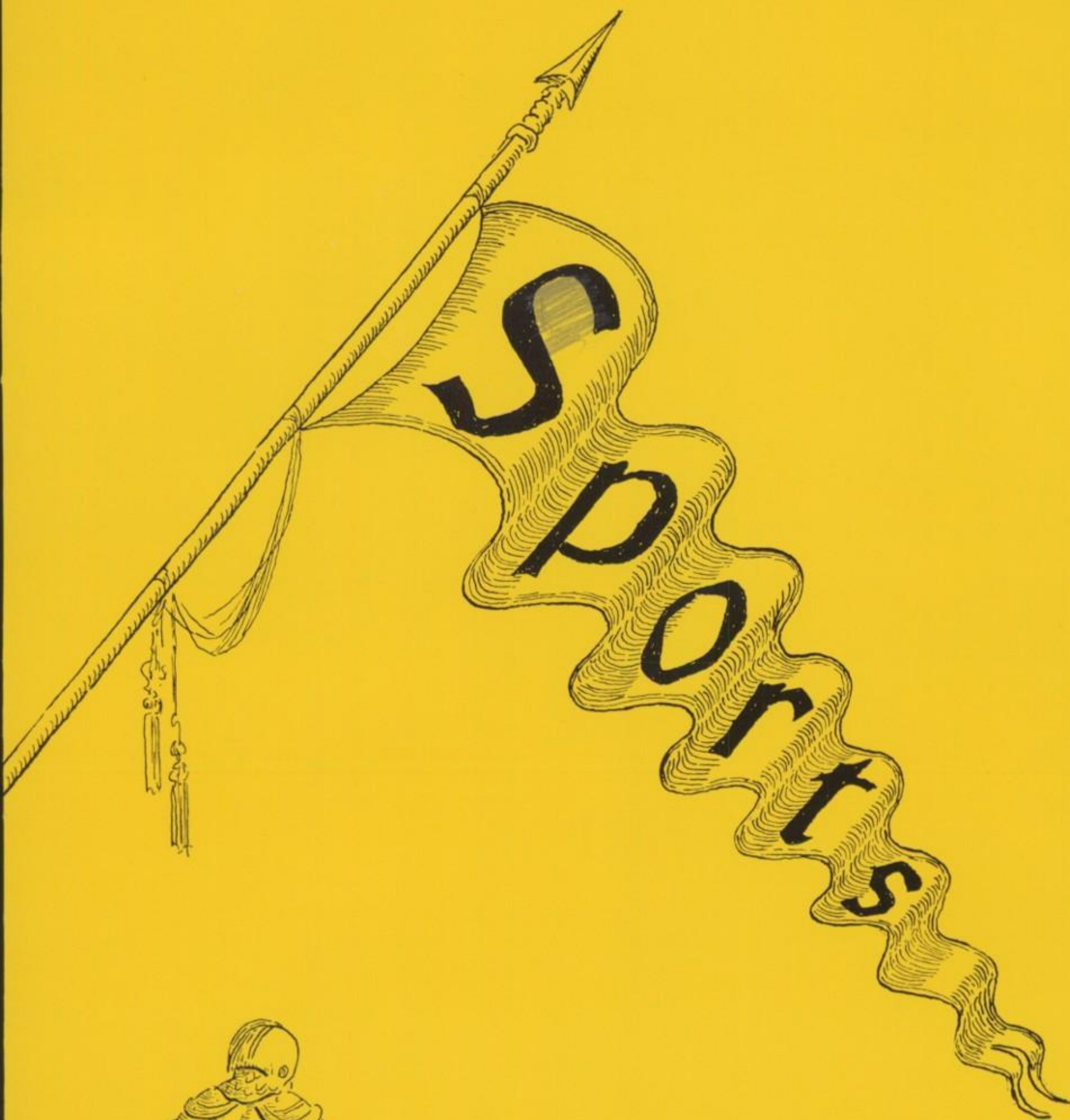
Photo Club

Back Row — A. Wood, R. Hatch, D. Thomson, W. Dahlberg, B. Forcey, E. Woodhull.
Front Row — R. Ripley, R. Murphey, J. Skinner, M. Gillean, J. Oatman, J. Franken.

The San Miguel student tries to attain, in addition to intellectual proficiency and extra-curricular adeptness, a skillful and developed body. It is the attempt and goal of each student to fulfill the old adage, "A sound mind and a healthy body." The athletic program of San Miguel, during the past year, has given the students ample opportunities to participate. From football to swimming, a wide and various field of sports has been offered.

Throughout this year there have been losses of many contests that the student body and players have witnessed. With each loss they have experienced sorrow; with each victory, joy. Body development, however, has not been the only subject of each game or meet played against our league members. No matter what the outcome of the contests, at the end, there has always been a new strengthening of character and a better understanding of sportsmanship. The development of these last two qualities in each individual will, in no small part, determine his future place in society.







Back Row—Coach Lusky, H. Exarhos, C. Higgs, D. Thomson, F. Fletcher, C. Hudson, J. Huntington, W. Dahlberg, Asst. Coach White.
Front Row—F. Merhar, D. Harrison, G. Bujkovsky, S. Angus, P. Ames, B. Burgener, D. Vaughn, S. Coutts.
Captains—R. Lynds and C. Tyson.

Football

The Knights opened their gridiron schedule for 1957 by journeying to Mountain Empire. Friday, September 28, was the date, and for the Maroon and Gold squad it proved to be a dark one. Hampered by penalties and lack of depth, they could not manage to move the ball offensively. The Knights held the ground attack of the opposition, but couldn't contain their air attack. The game ended with Mountain Empire the victor, 26-0.

The second engagement on the calendar was with our cross-town rivals, Brown Military. The Knights took the ball on the opening kickoff and drove down to the enemy twenty yard stripe, only to be stalled by penalties. The next San Miguel drive was cut short by an intercepted pass, which Brown turned into a quick touchdown. Ames broke through to block the P.A.T. attempt, and the score stood Brown 6, San Miguel 0. Early in the second half Tyson recovered a fumble in the Brown backfield, but the Knights were unable to capitalize on their break. Brown continued to move the ball well, and the ground game domination that had belonged to San Miguel in the first half was now Brown's. Despite a pass interception by Coutts, and persistent running by Lynds and Fletcher, the Knights were unable to tally. The game ended with San Miguel on the short end of a 25-0 score.

The following Friday the Knights were visited by Twin Pines School, from Los Angeles. The green and white jersied team employed a single wing offense, and it took the whole first half for the Maroon and Gold defense to adapt to it. Behind the running of their tailback, Twin Pines held a 19-0 edge at the half. With a light rain falling, the Knights aerial offense come to life in the third and fourth periods. Having driven deep into Twin Pines' territory, Fletcher passed to Miller for eleven yards and six points. The conversion attempt was un-

successful. In the opening minutes of the fourth quarter Fletcher again took to the air, and, on a swing pass to his right, hit Coutts at the mid-field stripe. Reversing his field, Coutts raced fifty yards for the second San Miguel touchdown. Fletcher then took the ball from the spread formation and ran for the conversion. After the next kickoff, the Knights pushed the Twin Pines' team back into their own territory. Then Tyson broke through the opposing line and dropped the enemy quarterback in the end zone for a safety (2 pts.). With the score 19-15, the Maroon and Gold drove hard for the needed score. However, in the closing minutes of play, the wet ball slipped from Fletcher's hand into the arms of a waiting green and white lineman, who ran, unopposed, for a touchdown. With the successful conversion, the ball game came to an end, Twin Pines winning it, 26-15.

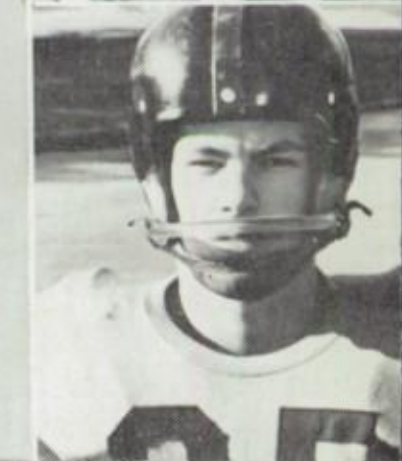
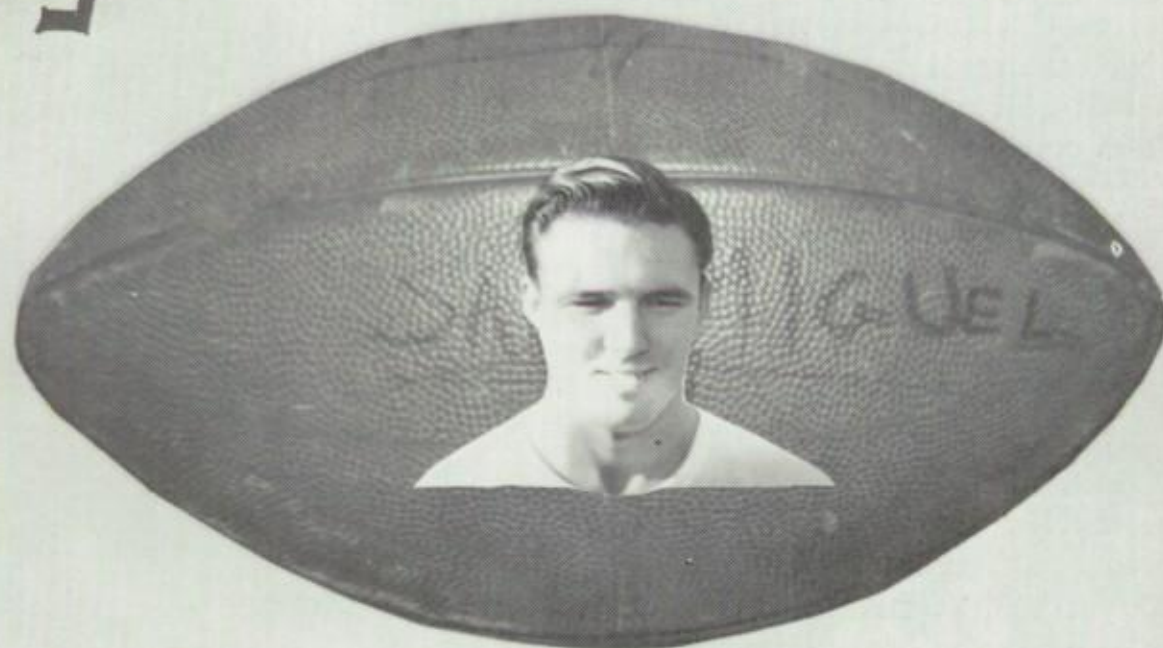
Weakened by the flu and numerous injuries, San Miguel was not up to par as they journeyed to Ramona on the 25th of October. Early in the second period Coutts hurt his leg, and was forced to leave the field, soon to be followed by Exarhos, with an ankle injury. Midway in the third period Thomson was forced to retire with a wrenched knee. Tyson and Ames turned in fine performances on the line, as did Merhar and Lynds in the backfield, but the Ramona team was too much to handle. The final score was Ramona 64, San Miguel 0.

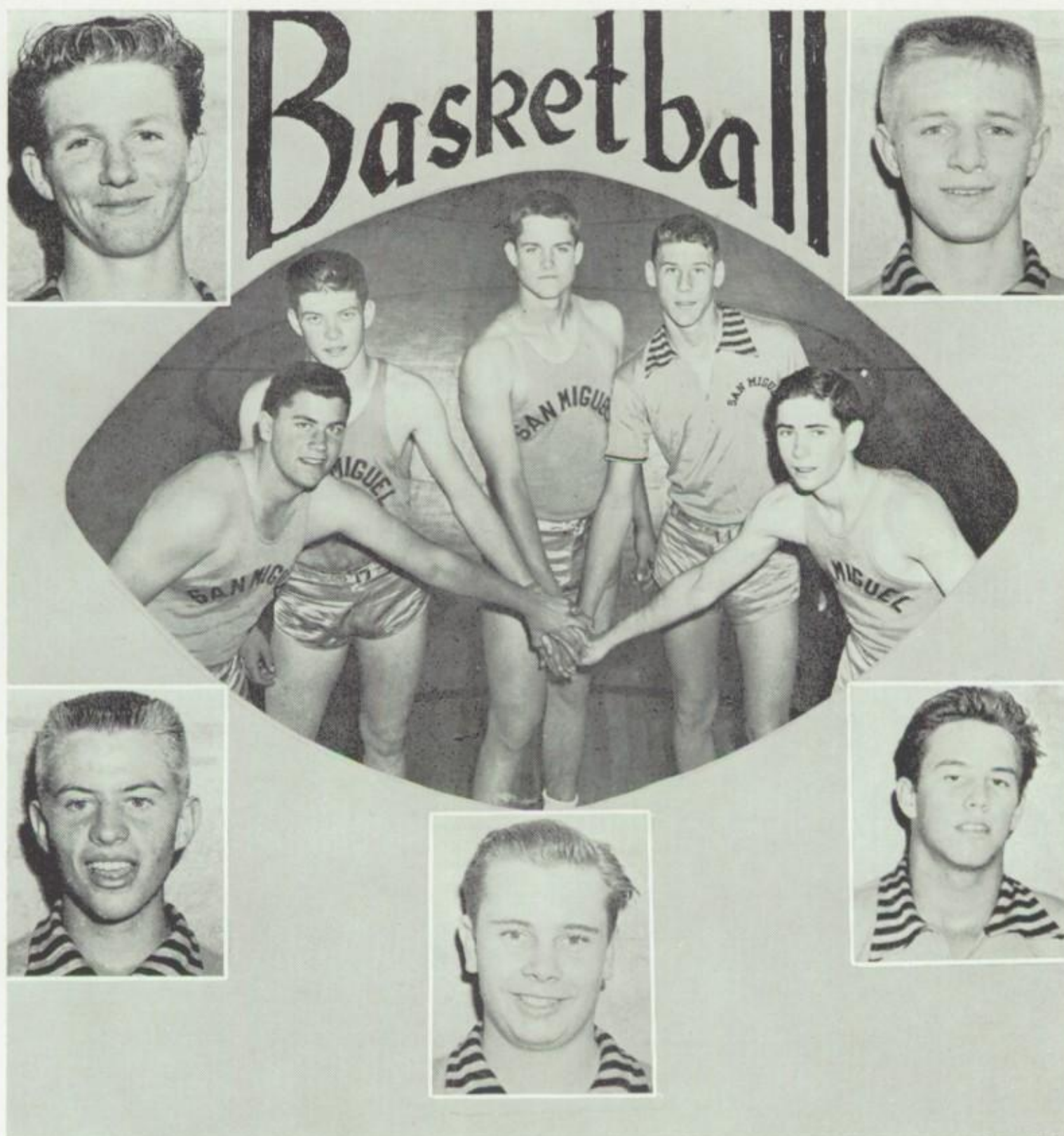
For the final game of the season, the Knights traveled to Harvard School in Los Angeles. The boys hurt the week before at Ramona had not yet recovered, and as a result the squad totaled only eleven men. It was obvious from the start that the two teams were evenly matched. During the first quarter they exchanged downs on the rain-soaked field. However, midway in the second period the Knights penetrated to the Harvard 18 yard line. Then, on fourth down, Fletcher passed to Tyson for a touchdown. The conversion failing, the first half came to an end, the score being 6-0. On the opening kickoff of the second half, tackle Vaughn hurt his hip and had to be carried from the field. With but ten men left to play, the Maroon and Gold prepared for the worst. Taking Miller out of the back field and putting him on the line in Vaughn's place, the Knights withstood Harvard's third quarter attack. Time and time again Harvard's black and red backs were stopped by players such as Burgener, Angus and Merhar. Regaining confidence, early in the fourth quarter, San Miguel penetrated to the Harvard 35 yards line. In a third down situation, Fletcher faded back in the spread formation and passed to Tyson in the end zone. Following Tyson's spectacular catch was a successful conversion attempt, and the score stood 13-0. But the game was far from over. Harvard took the next kickoff and raced 88 yards up the near sideline for a touchdown. Their conversion was good and the score stood 13-7. Then, late in the fourth quarter, Harvard started another drive that seemed destined for pay dirt. But the Maroon and Gold line rallied, and, digging in at their own 15 yard line, refused to be moved. When the final gun sounded, the score was Harvard 7, the Fighting Ten 13.





All they had was desire



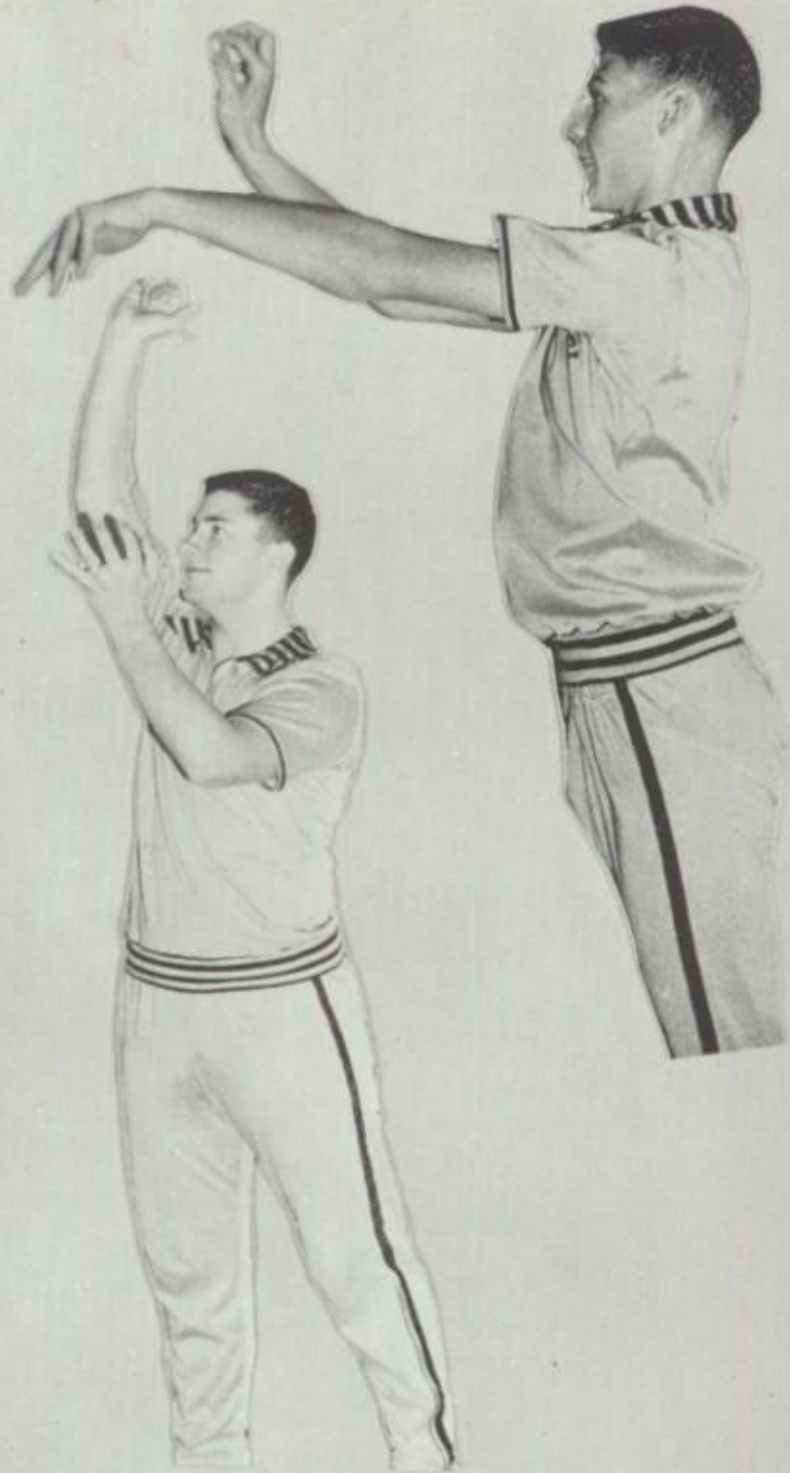


BOX SCORES FOR '57-'58

San Miguel	44	Rancho del Campo	43
San Miguel	31	Julian	52
San Miguel	31	Mt. Empire	41
San Miguel	25	Ramona	58
San Miguel	45	Brown	40
San Miguel	13	A.N.A.	44
San Miguel	31	Julian	61
San Miguel	48	Mt. Empire	57
San Miguel	28	Rancho	42
San Miguel	12	Ramona	84
San Miguel	25	Brown	41
San Miguel	40	A.N.A.	54
San Miguel	20	Julian	29
San Miguel	39	Mt. Empire	44
San Miguel	60	Rancho	43

INDIVIDUAL SCORING

Ferd Fletcher	195
Charles Tyson	61
John Huntington	58
Bob Lynds	38
Chuck Warner	33
Steve Coutts	32
Skip Miller	31
Art Mortimer	26
Newell Bossart	4

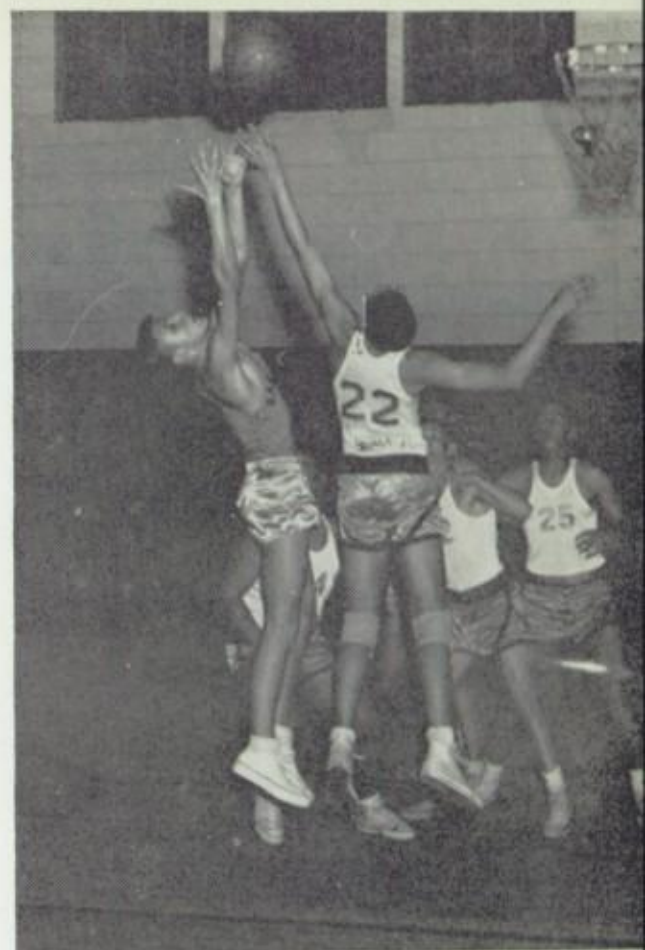


Varsity Basketball

The Knights opened their '57-'58 schedule with a win against Rancho del Campo. This was the first game of the pre-season tournament sponsored by Julian. After a close and hard-fought game, we won by the narrow margin of one point, 44-43. Ferd Fletcher sparked the victory by contributing 24 points. The following Friday night, we went to Julian to play in the second tournament round. Julian was our first opponent, but they and their tall center proved too hot to handle as we lost, 52-31. The following night, we lost to Mt. Empire, 41-31. We went home happy, though, for we had gained much needed experience.

We opened the regular season at Ramona where the eventual league champs defeated us. Our next game was with Brown at home. Sparked by Ferd's 16 points and with good jobs done by John Huntington, Charles Tyson, and Steven Coutts, the Maroon and Gold won, 45-40. The rest of the league games were lost as the box scores will show, except for one. Playing our last game at the Boys' Club against Rancho del Campo, the Knights came alive and played their best game. Ferd Fletcher led the assault with 27 points, setting a new school individual scoring record. Tyson and Lynds aided with fine performances and 12 and 7 points respectively. The game's highlight came in the fourth quarter as the Knights scored 23 points. Newell Bossart, a new junior, brought down the house with a casual toss over his head that swished through for a field goal. On this happy note, the game ended with the Maroon and Gold winning, 60 to 43.

The season could be called unsuccessful by some, but it gave us needed experience. The loss of Fletcher, Coutts and Lynds will be felt next year, but Warner, Huntington, Tyson, Mortimer and Bossart offer great promise of a well-balanced team. We may have lost the majority of our games, but our spirit stays high. We look forward to a fine team and a fine season next year.





Jr. Varsity Basketball

The Junior Varsity played a full schedule this year for the first time. Plagued by inexperience and a seeming inherent inability to put the ball through the hoop, they lost a majority of their games, often, though, by close scores. The highlight of the season was a 39-25 conquest of Mt. Empire. Vance Baker scored 129 points during the season for a 10 point average and was closely followed by Bruce Burgener, Doug Thompson and Herb Exarhos. The experience gained by Baker and Burgener will help them when they move on to the Varsity next year.

Wrestling



*Back Row—M. Blakesley, J. Mackenzie, E. Fygi, Mr. Sutherland, D. Mundschenk, R. Harsh.
Middle Row—P. Ames, C. Hudson, D. Thomson, M. Wood, M. Krumel.
Front Row—B. Hallen, C. Daughaday, R. Murphey, S. Neal.*

Because of San Miguel's lack in numbers, we have encountered obvious difficulties in sports. Last year Mr. Sutherland and the late Mr. Daughaday got together, rolled out the mats, and offered us a place to come and pound our heads. Thus was started the San Miguel Wrestling Team. This year the team was honored by Mr. Gene Pedersen, father of Lief Pedersen, 63, who was at one time the Illinois State Heavyweight Champion. With the help of both Mr. Sutherland and Mr. Pedersen, we have been able to score quite a few individual victories.

Before the Southern Prep League schedule began, we had three practice meets, two with Coronado and one with Mt. Miguel J. V. In our first encounter at Coronado, we were very rusty and were beaten all around. But on our return match, Chuck Hudson and Dave Thomson pinned their opponents; while Pete Ames put up a hard battle, only to lose in the last minute. At Mt. Miguel, Chuck and Dave repeated their victories. Pete again came through with a hard-fought battle but was edged out on points.

The following week initiated our league schedule. At Mt. Empire we were rather out-manned and out-muscled. At Rancho del Campo we were again out-muscled, but Mark Krumel and Mike Wood did a fine job though pinned in the 3rd period. Chuck Hudson came through with a decision. We traveled to Brown for our final meet. Dave Thomson and Mark Krumel were our heroes there.

This did not end our victory string, however. The League Finals were to come. On February 27 we went to Mt. Empire to prove we were an up and coming team. After the final match, San Miguel had only 28 points—2 seconds and 2 thirds. Mark Krumel and Chuck Hudson won their final bouts for 2nd place. Dave Thomson and John Mackenzie won 3rd places. We were finally a team to be recognized.

Swimming Team



*Back Row—V. Baker, J. Peyton, C. Hudson, R. Durham, B. Burgener, Mr. Valentine.
Front Row—N. Bossart, H. Hunte, P. Ames, M. Zerbe, D. Thompson, E. Lax.*

For a school as young and as small as San Miguel, our friends consider it a remarkable feat that we engage in the wide range of sports associated today with academic life in America. But not only does San Miguel participate in all sports, its Knights know the taste of victory and the feeling of being champions. Under the guidance of Coaches Paul R. White and Harry H. Revoir and with the leadership of Co-Captains Robin Durham and Dick Stephen-Hassard, the Knights climaxed a three-year struggle by winning the Varsity Swimming Championship of the Southern Prep League for 1957. It was a group effort: the sum of individual talents freely given, of time unstintingly employed, of no recourse left unexplored, of spirits that refused to admit defeat. It was a new tradition added to a school whose individual members daily contribute to the San Miguel Code—the Code of the Knights.

Escondido was our first opponent for the 1957 season, and highlighting our 48–17 victory were Dick Stephen-Hassard's performances. Dick captured both the 100 yd. and 200 yd. freestyle events and participated in the four-man relay victory. The C's also established their superiority by winning 25–7. The season was launched successfully!

For the first time, and to gain as much experience as possible, we entered the Southwest A.A.U. Relays at the Mission Beach Plunge. Rick Barber qualified in the 50 yd. freestyle but failed to win a medal. But the relay team of Rick and Jerry Barber, Dick Stephen-Hassard, and Robin Durham nailed down a fourth place finish, topping all San Diego entries in this event.

The next meet was with Harvard in Los Angeles, a traditional rival and one we have yet to defeat. Here, spirit was not enough, and the Knights finished on the short end of a 53–19 score. Still, though very weak in numbers, we had our thrill for the afternoon when Robin won the 100 yd. freestyle in the time of fifty-nine seconds (a new school record) and also won the 50 yd. freestyle.

Smarting at the severe defeat at the hands of Harvard, a determined varsity went to Vista with the avowed intention of making the Panthers pay dearly, and they did. Sweeping all first places, they drowned the cats to the tune of 62–15. Robin and Tom Stephen-Hassard doubled their individual wins, and Robin anchored the relay team. Experience proved too much for the C's as they lost a squeaker, 24–26.

Southern League

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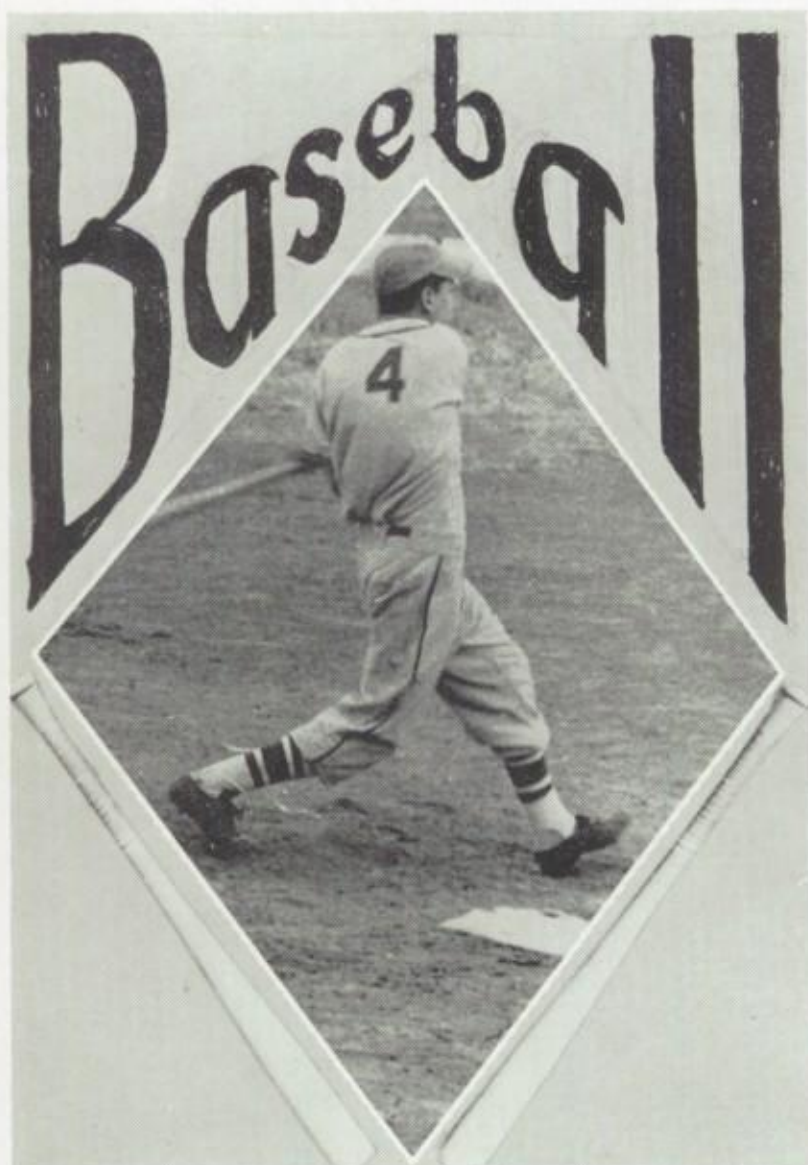
Next on the bill-of-fare for the hungry Knights were the unsuspecting cadets, our cross-town rivals in uniform at Brown Military Academy. In sparkling performances, Robin set a 100 yd. freestyle mark of 58.2; Tom turned the 100 yd. breast stroke in 1:20.7, and the medley relay team of Jerry Barber, Jim Peyton and Tom Stephen-Hassard splashed home in the time of 1:36.2.

After that the Maroon and Gold tankmen drove to Fallbrook to participate in the Fallbrook Invitational where a year ago they had been soundly thrashed. Such was not to be the story this time. Sparked by Robin's new 50 yd. freestyle mark of 25.0 seconds, the Knights went to work with a will. Robin took another first in the 100 yd. freestyle, Tom a first in the breast stroke, Rick Barber a first in the 200 yd. freestyle, and the freestyle relay team a first in that event. And while the San Miguel rooters roared in triumph, the results were announced: SM, 72½, Fallbrook 41, Army and Navy 21, Vista 21, Escondido 14, and Brown Military 5½. The trophy was ours!

On May 31 the Southern Prep League Meet took place at Brown Military Academy, and a loyal host of San Miguel fans journeyed across town to cheer their heroes. And they were not disappointed. In a fitting climax to a highly successful season, the Knights swept aside all opposition. In an awesome demonstration of power, they took first in all but diving and the backstroke, in many instances finishing one, two, three. This time Robin shared record-cracking performances with Rick Barber, Robin setting a 57.3 in the 100 yd. freestyle and Rick grinding out the 200 yd. freestyle in 2:24.0.

Rick and Jerry Barber, Dick Stephen-Hassard, and Jim Hudnall have departed because of graduation or transfer, but we feel that this year's squad is going to set another outstanding record. We can be certain of one thing, though: win or lose, Captain Durham and his team will be carrying on the San Miguel tradition of giving nothing but their best. To our only championship squad, we of the Annual Staff offer a hearty "well done!"





The Gold and Maroon Knights of San Miguel opened their baseball season last year with two practice games against Snyder Continuation School. Then, under the guidance of Coach Shanley, the team traveled to Julian to play their first league game. Managing only five hits, the Knights wasted fine pitching by J. Huntington and lost, 9-4.

The following week, the Knights traveled again—this time to Mountain Empire. Getting only five hits again, the Knight defense fell apart, and the Mountaineers triumphed, 7-4. This game saw the loss of third baseman, Bob Lynds, due to a wrenched knee. The next game was played against Rancho del Campo, on the Knights' home field. F. Fletcher carried the pitching chores for the Gold and Maroon, but the San Miguel batmen couldn't cope with the opposition's curve ball. Rancho won 11-4.

The following game was the Knights' only league victory of the season, a 7-6 upset of Ramona, on the 14th of May. With the winning pitching of F. Fletcher, and the heavy hitting of Coutts, Barber and Helton, the Gold and Maroon won the extra-inning classic before a large home crowd. The climax was provided with H. Exharos' run-producing single in the bottom of the ninth inning.

The next game that the Gold and Maroon played was with Brown Military Academy, again on the Knights' home field. Although the defense was good, the Knights left too many men on base, and didn't start hitting until the late innings—and then it was too late. Brown triumphed, 9-4. The last game of the season pitted San Miguel against Army and Navy, on the Cadets' home field in Carlsbad. Although the Knights made a close game of it for the first four innings, the Cadets broke it wide open in the fifth inning and won, 10-4.

Due to the date that the annual must go to press, this year's baseball season has not been included. However, under the guidance of a new coach, Vernon Sanna, the Annual Staff hopes that the '58 edition of the San Miguel baseball team will enjoy a winning season.



Back Row—G. Ronis, V. Baker, J. Watling, F. Fletcher, G. Miller, J. Huntington, S. Coutts, Coach Sanna.

Front Row—R. Kemp, J. Beenfeldt, B. Burgener, S. Angus, M. Zerbe, D. Harrison, J. Hendricks.

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